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"SHARKS AVENUE" THE ICE HOUSE STREET PANIC "JUMPY AS CATS"

Ins And Outs Of Brokerland

1925 — AND NOW

[By a Former Speculator]

"An jumpy as cats on hot bricks" and "as pugnacious as a bulldog encountering a mastiff" were two of the expressions I heard this week in relation to the stock and share brokers following the sensation of one of that community being incarcerated in the debtors' jail in satisfaction of a Court judgment.

The man who used the phrases is specially qualified by his position and his knowledge to voice an opinion. He has been closely connected with the brokers and is in possession of much other information that can provide a dozen bombshells.

Which causes me to review, in the confines of this article, the business belonging to Ice House-street but which has migrated in part to Exchange-building.

UNEXECUTED WARRANTS

That panic prevailed this week there was not a doubt. More than one engaged in shares kept away from his office until the storm passed.

The reason was that one broker having established a precedent by pouncing on another, a good many were scared that in the general turmoil their turn might come!

Three new warrants are still outstanding, not having been executed.

Much of the aftermath of the tremendous crash of three and a half years ago remains unliquidated. The number who still have heavy obligations to meet is surprising. Nearly everybody is indebted to somebody else, hoping against hope, on the other hand, that their debtors will, in turn, pay up before they themselves are threatened by creditors.

And the funny part is that while such a fuss is made of secrecy, everybody knows to within a few dollars how much a man owes, how much is owing to him, what are his chances of paying, and what prospects he has of receiving.

Artificial Forcing
 In the boom years up to 1924, the brokers had enjoyed an era of increasing prosperity. Such a state of affairs was too good to last. Furthermore, there was abundant evidence of over-trading, speculation and the artificial forcing-up of prices not necessarily in ratio to intrinsic value.

Every piece of gossip was seized upon. So-and-so was coming out with a new issue. Up went the shares. The A.B.C. Company was in negotiation with a Chinese syndicate to sell some property at a good deal over book value. Up went the shares. The X.Y.Z. clique had a chance of securing certain privileges. Up went the shares. This company or that company had earned a little more last month and there was a rumour of the next, bonus being increased by 10 cents. Up went the shares. New concerns were promoted, one or two ill-conceived and, accordingly, succumbing very quickly if only because of their premature birth.

It is no exaggeration to say that the brokerage earned by some of the brokers in a day then—was more than the total monthly income earned by some to-day.

As in London Now
 Speculation was fashionable then as it happens to be at home at the moment with prospectuses appearing nearly every day in the London papers. And, as a few have warned, the anti-climax is just as likely to intervene there as it did in Hong Kong.

Signs that all was not well became evident in Ice House-street early in 1925. Clients who could not meet their obligations had to be accommodated. One broker nearly caused an impasse by deserting his office for a few days when Settlement came round but friends came to his rescue in the interests of the trade.

On June 20 the General Strike was declared in Hong Kong. The altogether top-heavy June Settlement was only a few days off. A deadlock was the result. On July 20, the Legislative Council authorised postponement of the now famous June Settlement. The Exchange was closed for a time. An

official compromise was devised. But the damage had become irreparable. Speculators had vanished leaving the brokers to face stupendous commitments. The banks began to call in money lent out on shares.

One old firm became bankrupt. Others had resorted to legal procedure but few got anything beyond the satisfaction, if any, of empty (nevertheless costly) judgments.

In connection with which I have a good story to tell of sharp practice.

A certain Chinese, well known for his lack of shrewdness, was indebted to several brokers and other individuals. His father was a very wealthy banker but had been hard hit in speculation in gold coins known as "double eagles" (the \$20 pieces of the U.S.A.). Because it was generally believed that the son was without funds, he had been left immune for some considerable time. Then rumours were round that if pressure were applied he would be able to pay a substantial sum. Go-betweens communicated with a creditor who either had previously, or then, obtained judgment for about \$15,000. They induced the creditor to accept a fraction. Then a warrant was executed. While the debtor was held, his people were told that the whole amount had to be raised. This was paid over to the go-betweens who handed over a few thousands to the creditor, obtained his signature to full settlement, and kept the difference!

Not Worth the Stamps?
 The Government's revenue in 1926 was \$21,131,582 or \$212,954 less than that of 1927. Fifteen heads in 1926 were less than those of 1927 and only six more than those of 1927. Of these six, the biggest was "stamp duties" the excess under this head in 1926 over 1927 being no less than \$383,088. I should not be at all surprised if the fact that more revenue stamps were sold in 1926 than in 1927 was due in large measure to the volume in 1926 having been swelled by attempts to clear up outstanding share transactions.

Either in promissory notes or other forms of acknowledgment of debt, sharebrokers, speculators and financiers engaged in the stock market must even now hold millions and millions of dollars of paper bearing duty stamps but worth even hardly that outlay.

There is no fixed percentage. Promissory notes given out by a man of straw might not even fetch one per cent. to-day. Those of others, however, either have changed hands or have been quoted at varying rates.

An Illustration
 Should Mr. A. be harassed by Mr. B., Mr. A. goes at once to people to whom Mr. B. owes money. Mr. B.'s notes are purchased at, say, 20 per cent. of face value, the holders being only too pleased to realise for ready cash instead of waiting indefinitely. Then Mr. A. proceeds to "set-off" against Mr. B. and the tangle involving three or more parties is straightened.

This was what happened this week. Mr. F. M. Ellis issued execution against Mr. Harry Odell for about \$70,000, having obtained judgment long ago. Mr. Odell was lodged in the debtors' prison. But Mr. Odell had in his possession the right of collection from Mr. Ellis of sums exceeding \$100,000 due by Mr.

AIR FATALITY AT BROOKLANDS 1,000 FEET FALL

COLDSTREAM GUARDS OFFICER THE VICTIM

BRIGADE'S FIRST MEETING

London, Yesterday.
 Lieutenant G. H. Madocks, of the Coldstream Guards, was killed this afternoon when a single-seater aeroplane, which he was flying at the first meeting of the Household Brigade Flying Club at Brooklands, crashed from a height of 1,000 feet.

The Club was formed for officers of the brigade of Guards, who wished to take up flying. Several officers own aeroplanes.—British Wireless Service.

THE ERUPTION

MOUNT ETNA'S SERPENT OF MOLTEN LAVA

FLYING BOULDERS

Catania, Yesterday.
 To the enormous serpent of molten lava which is cleaving a path of destruction in the forest down the slopes there is now added a further horror, for incandescent boulders measuring ten cubic feet are being scattered broadcast, falling with terrific force, sufficient to break the underground water mains.

Professor Ponte, the Director of the Etna Observatory, who remains at his post despite the bombardment, has reported to the Government that the eruption, in twelve hours has reached a stage of development only previously attained in four days. A curious phenomenon is the fact that the lava is apparently moving in underground channels from one newly-formed fissure to another.

Airman Flies Over Etna
 As the lava reaches the plain it is extending over a wider front and consequently slowing. It is hoped, therefore, to save the towns of Giarrre and Riposto. An airman flew over Etna and reported that there were no signs of a diminution of the eruption.—Reuter.

M. POINCARE

WILL PROBABLY HEAD ANOTHER CABINET

LEFT WING DISPUTES

Paris, Yesterday.
 There has been hitherto little indication of how the Cabinet crisis will be solved. The possibility of a coalition of the Left Wing has receded following a meeting of representatives of the left parties, at which only 270 Deputies were represented, or 36 too few to counter-balance the remaining groups.

The Left Wing groups participating in the conference hoped to secure the support of the Radical Left Wing, whose 54 members hold the balance of power, but the Radicals withheld their support unless they were granted a share in the responsibility of government. Hence the only alternative combination appears to be a Republican ministry under the Premiership of M. Poincare. If the latter declines M. Briand will probably be offered the post, but it is authoritatively stated that M. Briand will only accept on the condition of M. Poincare taking the portfolio of Finance.

Summoned by President
 Paris, Yesterday.
 M. Poincare, summoned to the Elysee, agreed to consult party leaders with a view to the speedy formation of a Cabinet.—Reuter.

AFFORESTATION

Nanking, Yesterday.

The State Council of the National Government has issued a mandate ordering the Ministry of Agriculture to proceed with the formulation of regulations concerning afforestation all over the country.—Reuter.

Ellis to a person in Macao. Accordingly, Mr. Odell and Mr. Ellis set off against each other. While they were doing this, other people forment long ago. Mr. Odell was lodged in the debtors' prison. But Mr. Odell had in his possession the right of collection from Mr. Ellis of sums exceeding \$100,000 due by Mr.

LOCAL SHIPPING COMMISSION

RIVER TRADE

STATUS OF GOVT. CERTIFICATES TO BE PROBED

CREW AGREEMENTS

To-day's "Gazette" announces the appointment of a Commission to consider various shipping activities relative to the Colony and "local" rivers.

The personnel comprises:—
 Commander Joseph Bernard Newill, D.S.O., R.N. (Retired),
 Lieut.-Commander Lewis John Pitcairn-Jones, D.S.C., R.N.,
 Lieut.-Commander Thomas Turnbull Laurensen, D.S.C., R.N.R.,
 Mr. Arthur Jones Evans,
 Mr. Thomas Graham Weall, and
 Mr. Tsun-nin Chau,
 Comdr. Newill, who is the local

JUST COOLIES

Piracy Yarn With No Foundation

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

According to information from official sources it appears that the 24 men thought to have been pirates were ordinary working people who paid \$1 each to a certain man as passage money on the s.s. "Tal Lee," being quite unaware of the fact that the man to whom they had entrusted their money was not in any way connected with the ship.

On receipt of the money from each of the men, the man in question proceeded to obtain deck tickets at 40 cents each, thereby making a profit of 60 cents on each man.

The coolies were then smuggled on board the vessel, and placed in concealment.

A police official told a "China Mail" representative this morning that the whole thing appears to be a case of a man endeavouring to defraud the company of the legal passage money.

The coolies say that they were travelling without paying the proper fare. All state that they paid the sum of \$1 to a man unknown to them, who in turn gave them tickets. The men, it is stated, were travelling to Kong Moon under a contract to build a road for a contractor.

Harbour Master, will act as chairman of the Commission. The points for consideration are:—

- The status of River Trade certificates as Master or Mate issued by the Hong Kong Government.
- The agreements made between owners and master and master and crew and the

YANGTZE GUARDS

Precautions Against Piracy

Shanghai, To-day.

It is understood that as a result of the Shansi piracy the Japanese Navy is arranging to supply guards on all Japanese vessels trading on the Yangtze. It is possible that the Shanghai Volunteers will provide guards for other vessels trading from Shanghai to the Yangtze, and also possible that the U.S. Navy will provide guards on American ships on the Yangtze.—Reuter.

notice to be given to terminate these agreements.
 (c) The system of engagement and discharge and payment of wages of native seamen.
 (d) The method of measurement of River Steamers for passenger certificates.
 (e) The carriage of large numbers of free passengers as commission agents.
 (f) The system of embarkation of passengers and loading of cargo.
 (g) The employment of uncertificated pilots.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 5/16.

JARDINE'S THIRD CENTURY

IN AUSTRALIA

TEST PLAYER MAKES 140 AGAINST NEW S. WALES

ENGLAND DOING WELL

London, Yesterday.
 Jardine scored his third successive century since the English cricket team landed in Australia when he made 140 to-day against New South Wales. The brilliance of this achievement made a great impression on Australian critics and the crowd.

His other centuries were 169 against Western Australia and 104 against Victoria.

At the close of to-day's play against New South Wales the English team had scored 372 for three wickets. Hammond was 96 not out.—British Wireless Service.

R.A.F. FLIERS

WARMLY WELCOMED AT MANILA

ESCORT OF U.S. PLANES

Manila, Yesterday.

The four flying boats known as the Far East Flight, commanded by Group-Captain Cave Brown Cave, accompanied by seventeen United States Army and Navy "planes, flew into Manila Bay shortly after 11 a.m. They circled over the city in perfect formation, the shining silver-coloured visitors leading, and splashed into the water off the Army and Navy Club.

The aviators were greeted by the British Consul-General, Mr. Thomas Harrington, and representatives of Governor-General Stimson and the Army and Navy. A full week of social activities has been planned by Manila's cosmopolitan community.—Reuter.

H.R.H. AT KENYA

PRESENT AT OPENING OF THE LEGISLATURE

GOVERNOR'S TRIBUTE

London, Yesterday.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was present at the opening of Kenya Colony Legislature at Nairobi to-day.

The Governor, Sir Edward Grigg, described the visit of the Prince and his brother the Duke of Gloucester, as the "most outstanding event of the year's history of the colony. Without departing from the informal nature of his visit, the Prince of Wales had been able to see all sides of the life of the Colony. None of the communities of Kenya had failed to feel the stimulus of the interest and sympathy of the Prince of Wales, and he hoped the Prince's experiences had been such that His Royal Highness would be willing to renew them.—British Wireless Service.

IN BURMA

"SPIRIT OF AUSTRALIA" PROGRESSING

Victoria Point, Burma, Yesterday.

Hurley and Moir have arrived here in the "Spirit of Australia".—Reuter.

[This is the flight from Australia to London and back.]

APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are announced in the "Gazette":—

Mr. D. L. King to be Deputy Superintendent and Adjutant of the Police (Reserve).
 Mr. E. R. Dovey to be Assistant Superintendent of Police (Reserve) and to be in command of the Sharp Shooters' Section Police Reserve.

Mr. E. L. Agassiz to be Registrar of Trade Marks and Letters Patent in addition to his other duties, with effect from November 1, 1928.

Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones to be Police Magistrate, Kowloon, with effect from November 12, 1928.

The Institute of Transport has awarded its road transport gold medal for 1928 to Major C. H. Kuhns, deputy assistant-director of mechanisation at the War Office.

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse.

"Missing Soldiers Found." . . . Found what—missing the bull's-eye? . . .

We see a headline, "Lord X Walks Out." . . . With whom? . . .

A boy used to set fire to buildings "because he liked to see the firemen at work." . . . Mr. Mo has wired offering to adopt him. . . .

"House and chop for sale. Specially adapted for baking." . . . We loathe baked chops. . . .

"£150,000 Contract." . . . Even ten bucks contracts quicker than we like. . . .

A golden garter goes to a contemporary who really attempted to offset the China Mail's scoops by letting loose the piracy bug. . . .

A cricket writer refers to certain players' "subtle contrivance of pad play." . . . The pad lads! . . .

A paper discusses undergraduates in shops. High and long jumpers become counter dummies. . . .

An involved witness at court said he had decided to "put the hands into the case of the police." . . . Did he mean into the cuffs? . . .

"Old-Fashioned Furniture in Modern Dress." . . . Though the poor old chairs looked so worn-out, the last bulletin reports them completely re-covered. . . .

"English Golfer Robbed." . . . Of victory? . . .

Really great cricketers are not merely "average" players. . . .

A political paper calls itself "Think!" . . . Its opponents answer, "We don't think!" . . .

"What Clothes to Take Away." . . . The thief who the other day stole trousers from a golf club evidently thought he knew. . . .

Mr. Tunney describes himself as a "quiet man on a quiet holiday." . . . He certainly can make others quiet. . . .

Sir David Yule left twenty-five millions sterling. . . . It was Mr. Churchill who was heard to sing "Yule not forget me!" . . .

"The Railways' Fight for Life." . . . They can do nothing in the fight against those 3-Tunney lorries. . . .

Five million letters are aunched annually because of the absence of a stamp. . . . Just because we don't learn to stick it. . . .

The latest is a spiked mat for stopping car thieves. . . . Just as they think they are "getting away with it" they find themselves on the mat. . . .

Owing to the overcrowded state of Soviet gaols large numbers of prisoners are to be thrown on the world. . . . What a waste of "time!" . . .

An airman terrified people on the beach by flying close. . . . A low-down trick. . . .

A man has been charged with obtaining plus fours when he was minus cash. . . .

Nine Coats have left fortunes of over a million. . . . None of these Coats was thread bare. . . .

"Cutting the Waves." . . . When passing Biscay we should like to cut them—dead. . . .

The announcement is made, "Lord Crews Returns." . . . Why not "Crews Comes Ashore?" . . .

A South Wales pitman has made an immense reputation as a singer. . . . Wales loves the miner key. . . .

"Indigo Dividend." . . . So the shareholders need not look blue. . . .

A man has been discovered in China who is 280 years old. . . . He is said to be proposing to found an infants' school for persons not exceeding 110 years. . . .

A commercial report, "Money was rather more wanted." . . . It always was. . . .

A bootmaker promises "contented feet" for those who use his special shoe. . . . So don't be afraid to put your foot in it. . . .

A Magistrate said that the "name of Moss was always suspicious." . . . Is that why moss is avoided by rolling stoness? . . .

Bathing belles may think of their figures; cricketers should not. . . .

Our up-to-date dog shows will now, we suppose, exhibit the wire-less-haired terrier. . . .

Mr. Ford is to start works on the Essex bank of the Thames—which bank should now have a valuable security. . . .

"Lost—Pale blue enamel lady's pendant watch." . . . Evening paper. . . . We welcome the advent of the pale blue enamel lady to our constantly increasing collection. . . .

"Unfurnished rooms every convenience to lean and congenial people." . . . Shakespeare's authority indicates that lean people never are congenial. . . .

"To the Editor of 'The Daily Mail' Sir—I have just had the 'flu' for the 33rd time since 1888. Can any of your readers beat this undesirable achievement? W. G. Howard Gritten, Carlton Club, S.W. Can any of them want to? . . .

People with appropriate names: Mr. E. P. Spanner, M.C. of the Royal Corps of Naval Constructors. . . .

"Young man wants position as bookkeeper or correspondent in office or shop. Willing to take anything." . . . Advertisement. . . . Most firms are on the look-out for young men who will not take any thing. . . .

"Please send 100 used postage stamps of British Colonies, and you will receive the same of Germany or French stamps or such of the surrounded states." . . . Advertisement. . . . We were under the impression that, thanks to the League of Nations, there were to-day no surrounded states. . . .

From a "social and personal" column—"Mr. and Mrs. are starving at the Hotel." . . . We may be able to give a report of the libel action in an early issue. . . .

"Rosita Forbes is, possibly, one of the greatest arguments to-day for the 'Flapper Vote.'" . . . "The Sphere" . . . is apparently altogether dissociated from considerations of time. . . .

Headlines: "Gilbert and Sullivan Revival: Booking for 'Gipsy Love' to-day." . . . Revival? . . . More likely to kill them if the famous collaborators were still in this vale of woe! . . .

"Much Damage Done by Lightning." . . . Lightning strikes? . . .

We see a headline, "Seaside Music." . . . Sound waves? . . .

New York has commissioned a sky-scraper 808 feet high. . . . A tall order. . . .

"Man Hunted on Roof." . . . We have heard before of these highly-placed criminals. . . .

A motorist is to attempt records in a "razor blade" car. . . . We hope it is a safety razor blade. . . .

By the way, a razor blade car will require suitable strepping, places. . . .

Frank Woolley, of Kent, may settle in Australia. . . . Why not in the Woolley West? . . .

A magazine has an article on Sir Oliver Lodge at home. . . . Or where Oliver Lodge? . . .

The latest idea is "Metal Prospecting From the Air." . . . It is well to look down on mere gold. . . .

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Hong Kong, 7th Nov., 1928.

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NOTICE.

ALTERATION OF ROUTE

COMMENCING on SATURDAY, 10th inst. and until Further Notice BUSES will run between Happy Valley and Wing Lok Wharf via Wanchai Road, Praya East, Queen's Road East, Murray Road and Connaught Road Central (for STAR FERRY, Blake Pier, YAUMATEI FERRY, Canton Steamboats, Sincere's, Sun Co., Wing On Co. and Macao Steamers).

L. C. F. BELLAMY,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th Nov., 1928.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 10th November, 1928, commencing at 2 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each, up to Friday, 9th November, 1928.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.

Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Hong Kong, 3rd Nov., 1928.

**MACAO CHARITY AND
COMMERCIAL FAIR.**

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE cordially requests the pleasure of the presence of the general public at the Inaugural Ceremony of the Fair on SATURDAY, 3rd November, 1928, at 9 p.m.

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WATER SUPPLY

**SHORTAGE THIS SIDE BUT NOT
IN KOWLOON**

WHAT FIGURES TELL

How acute is the shortage of potable water in the island, of Hong Kong is shown in the latest monthly return issued by the Public Works Department. All figures quoted below are those prevailing on Nov. 1 either this year or last year.

The quantity in storage this side is only two-thirds that of last year although rationing was in force this October and a full supply was on during October, 1927.

On the other hand, the quantity in Kowloon is about 20 per cent. more than that of last year. Hong Kong had 1,390 million gallons this year as against 1,944 million gallons last year. Kowloon had 510 million gallons as against 428.

"Misleading" The quantity consumed also makes interesting reading. In October, 1928, Hong Kong used 239 million gallons as against 304 million gallons last year—the saving being due, presumably, to the restrictions. The Kowloon figure was 167 million gallons as against 162. The average consumption per head per day is worthless and possibly misleading, because the Water Authority's estimate of the population is much below actualities. His figures of people are:—

Hong Kong 426,540
Kowloon 167,380

His estimate for Nov. 1, 1927 was 593,920

The Government's estimate on Dec. 31, 1927 was 977,900. The return is reproduced in full below:—

Official Returns

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on November 1, 1928:—

**CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER
WORKS.**

	1927	1928
Tytam 0' 11" B 16' 3" B		
Tytam Byewash 17' 11" B 16' 3" B		
Tytam Intermediate L. L.		
Tytam Tuk 3' 4" B 24' 8" B		
Wong Nei Chung 9' 11" B 17' 9" B		
Pokfulum 4' 5" B 16' 11" B		

(Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow".)

Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.

	1927	1928
Tytam 334.45	261.12	
Tytam Byewash 3.92	5.30	
Tytam Intermediate 105.50	125.50	
Tytam Tuk 1,345.00	880.00	
Wong Nei Chung 18.60	11.50	
Pokfulum 50.40	30.20	
Total 1,944.27	1,390.23	

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of October.

	1927	1928
Consumption 304.94	239.05	
Estimated population 416,220	426,540	
Consumption per head 23.6	18.1	

Full Supply in all Rides Main Districts during October, 1927. Interim Supply in all Rides Main Districts during October, 1928.

**KOWLOON WATER WORKS
LEVEL.**

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir 2' 5" B 1' 7" A		
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir L. 0' 11" B		
Reception Reservoir 1' 9" B		

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir 327.75	309.99	
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 100.80	112.24	
Reception Reservoir —	28.53	
Total 428.55	510.87	

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of October.

	1927	1928
Consumption 101.4	112.69	
Estimated population 162,340	167,380	
Consumption per head 20.0	21.7	

Full Supply in all districts during October 1927 and 1928.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to October 31, 1927, 104.97 October 31, 1928, 70.32.

HONG KONG HOTEL VISITORS

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COASTAL MOVES

**CHANGES IN SHIPS'
PERSONNEL**

NEW APPOINTMENTS

Mr. J. R. Nisbet, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Liangchow." Mr. J. W. Bennett, second officer, "Fatsan," has gone second officer, "Antung."

Mr. E. G. Long, second officer, "Antung," has gone second officer, "Liangchow."

Mr. B. A. Marrable, from reserve, has gone extra chief officer, "Klungchow."

Mr. Y. N. Campbell, chief officer, "Shuntien," has gone chief officer, "Chenan."

Mr. J. MacKellie, chief officer, "Chenan," has gone extra chief officer, "Hain Peking."

Mr. T. P. Beatty, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Shuntien."

Mr. R. K. Stott, second officer, "Sunning," has gone acting chief officer, "Yingchow."

Mr. H. Seymour, third engineer officer, C. N. Co., has resigned.

Mr. J. W. Anderson, second engineer officer, "Tatung," has gone second engineer officer, "Foyang."

Mr. J. W. E. Tonkin, second engineer officer, "Foyang," has gone second engineer officer, "Tatung."

Mr. R. H. MacLean, second engineer officer, "Wuchang," has gone second engineer officer, "Tungchow."

Mr. A. N. Ainstone, second engineer officer, "Tungchow," has gone second engineer officer, "Chang Sha."

Mr. W. Gordon, second engineer officer, "Chang Sha," is on reserve.

Mr. G. Y. L. Hunter, second officer, "Kutsang," has gone second officer, "Kutsang."

Mr. S. C. Johnson, second officer, "Kutsang," is on reserve.

Mr. L. H. Johnston, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Yatsing."

Mr. J. Tolmie, from reserve, has gone third officer, "Cheongshing."

Captain A. S. Woodget, of the "Luenho," has proceeded on Home leave on retirement.

Captain A. Sinclair, from reserve, has gone master, "Luenho."

Mr. G. Clarke, chief officer, "Leesang," is on reserve.

Mr. E. L. Merrett, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, "Leesang."

Mr. F. H. Davies, from reserve, has gone extra second officer, "Luenho."

Mr. H. D. Hall, second officer, "Hangsang," is on reserve.

Mr. G. Boyle, second officer, "Chakang," has gone second officer, "Hangsang."

Mr. R. H. Watt, second engineer officer, "Leesang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Moalem has been appointed temporary third engineer officer, "Leesang."

Mr. E. W. Coxon, third engineer officer, "Mingsang," has gone extra third engineer officer, "Foshing."

Mr. H. Turner has been appointed temporary third engineer officer, "Mingsang."

Mr. H. D. Peacock has been appointed third engineer officer, "Wooosung."

Mr. A. Vafadis, third officer, "Kaping," is on reserve.

Mr. W. W. Arnes has been appointed third officer, "Kaping."

Mr. H. Cornwall, chief officer, "Sai On," is on reserve.

Mr. A. W. Thatcher, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Sai On."

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FAR EASTERN PORTS

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended Nov. 3 is given below. The number of deaths is shown in brackets:—

Plague: Tamatave 3 (2), Bombay (1), Rangoon (3), Beirut 1, Tung-mao 6.

Infected rats found in Bombay zone 8 (6).

Cholera: Bombay (1), Calcutta (36), Madras (32), Bangkok 1.

Small-pox: Bombay 2 (2), Calcutta 1 (1), Madras 9 (8), Negapatam 13 (3), Pondicherry (1), Batavia 1, Belawan Deli 2 (1), Pontianak 1, Samarinda 8 (2), Shanghai 1.

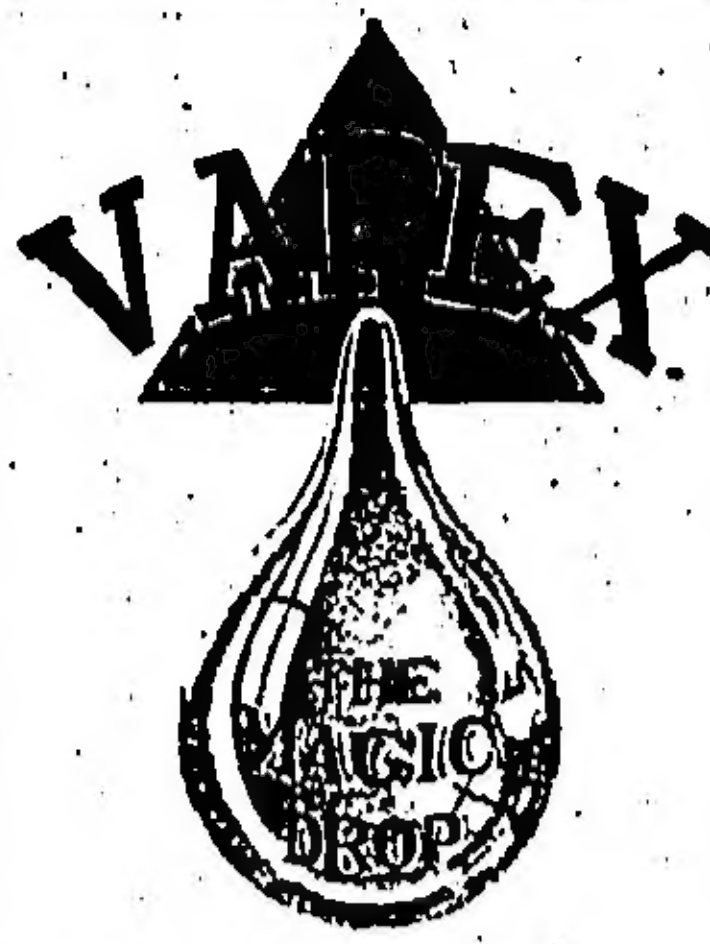
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HARUNA MARU Saturday, 17th November.
KITANO MARU Saturday, 1st December.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.
MISHIMA MARU (Calla Zamboanga) Wednesday, 21st November.
TANGO MARU Wednesday, 19th December.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.
TAMBA MARU Sunday, 11th November.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles,
Mexico & Panama.
RAKUYO MARU Monday, 12th November.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.
HAKATA MARU Saturday, 10th November.
NEW YORK AND BOSTON via PANAMA.
↑ TSUYAMA MARU Monday, 26th November.
↑ ASUKA MARU Saturday, 8th December.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Geneva, Marseilles.
↑ TOYOOKA MARU Wednesday, 21st November.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
↑ PENANG MARU Monday, 19th November.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TANGO MARU Friday, 16th November.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
KATORI MARU Monday, 12th November.
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AMUR MARU Saturday, 10th November.
ANDES MARU Monday, 12th November.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore,
Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.
SANTOS MARU Friday, 23rd November.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.
SUMATRA MARU Monday, 19th November.
CELEBES MARU (Calls at Karachi) Tuesday, 4th December.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, PAI-SHANG, ZANZIBAR AND
MOBEASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CANADA MARU Saturday, 1st December.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
KASADO MARU Sunday, 18th November.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai &
Japan ports.
ARABIA MARU Tuesday, 13th November.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
MADRAS MARU Thursday, 6th December.
HANGKOK—Via Saigon.
HAIKONG—Via Hanoi.
MENADO MARU Thursday, 22nd November 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
HAGU MARU Middle of November.
JAPAN PORTS.
ALTAI MARU Sunday, 18th November.
TACOMA MARU Saturday, 24th November.
SANUKI MARU Tuesday, 27th November.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
CANTON MARU Sunday, 11th November Noon.
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LAST OF THE FIVE DUCHESS LINERS

DUKE'S TRIBUTE TO C.P.C.

Glasgow.—The last of the five "Duchess" liners that have been built on the Clyde for the Canadian Pacific Co., the "Duchess of York," was launched to-day (says the "Journal of Commerce" of Sept. 29) at the Clydebank shipyard of Messrs. John Brown and Co., Ltd., by her Royal Highness the Duchess of York, in the presence of a distinguished party.

The greatest enthusiasm and loyalty was displayed by thousands of sightseers, Clydebank being fittingly decorated and beflagged for the great occasion.

On arrival at Clydebank railway station, the Royal party was met by Lord Aberconway (chairman of Messrs. John Brown and Co.), Sir George McLaren Brown (European general manager of the Canadian

shipyards in workmanship and efficiency. (Applause.) Mr. Beatty added his sincere hope and prayer that good fortune would always follow the vessel and her Royal sponsor. (Applause.)

As a Canadian, he (Sir George) would add this assurance, which he was sure Mr. Beatty and every Canadian would support, that they saw in the launch another striking indication of that great interest manifested in Canada and Canadian affairs by their gracious Sovereign and every member of his Royal Household. (Applause.) He would like to express his hope as a Canadian that the Duke and Duchess of York would honour his country at no distant date by visiting them; nothing would give his countrymen greater delight or pleasure than to be able to welcome their Royal Highnesses. (Applause.)

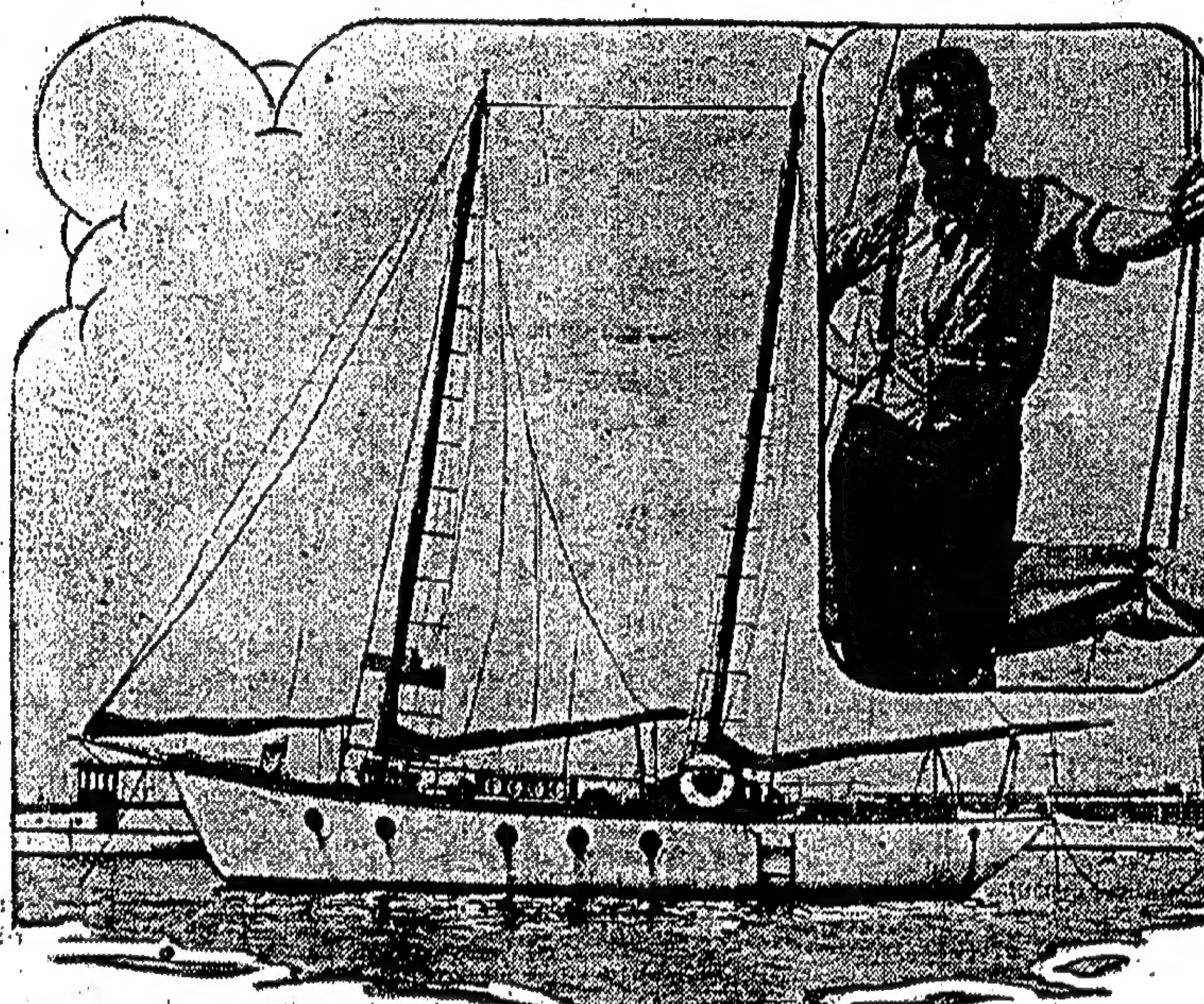
Sir Charles Ellis, C.B.E., K.C.B., director of Messrs. John Brown and Co., said they recognised as directors that the honour of the visit of her Royal Highness was attributable to her affection for the great

Strathcona, Sir William Van Horne, and others would endure so long as the British Empire existed—(applause)—and in its head-to-day, Mr. E. W. Beatty, we have a man who is worthily upholding the great traditions of the past. (Hear, hear.) His deputy in London, Sir George McLaren Brown, is doing the same. (Applause.) He would like to take that opportunity of saying how glad they were in seeing Sir George with them, and to learn of his recovery from his very severe illness. (Applause.) With such men in command they could watch with confidence the development of Canada.

One could not fail to be impressed with the valuable aid rendered to the shipbuilding industry by the Canadian Pacific Railway since the war, and particularly during the last twelve months. During that time four splendid Duchess liners had been launched, and in addition there had been built five super-cargo boats and one coasting ship for British Columbia, and everyone of these had been built in British yards. (Applause.)

That, he thought, was a proof of the spirit of co-operation which existed between the various builders concerned and Captain Gilles, the general manager of the Canadian Steamships—(applause)—and proof that the railway was doing its best to help them in the line of depression. Such occasions knit yet closer

To Go Round the World Alone



THE 37-FOOT YACHT "STURDY" in which Edward Miles (inset) was to start on a trip around the world—alone. He designed and built the boat himself.

Pacific Railway Co.), Captain James Gilles (general manager, Canadian Pacific Steamships), Sir Thomas Bell, managing director at Clydebank of Messrs. John Brown and Co., and Sir Charles Ellis.

The route from the station to the shipyard was lined by cheering crowds, and every vantage ground in the shipyard was occupied. The Duke and Duchess, before ascending the platform, paid a visit of inspection to the ship on the ways, and Lord Aberconway introduced to their Royal Highnesses the following managers:—Eng. Comdr. Wood, Messrs. Fyitt, James McNeill, John Paterson, William Ford, J. B. Henderson, and D. M. Skiffington.

The launching ceremony was a great success, the Duchess of York performing the ceremony with charm and grace. Her Royal Highness was presented by the directors of the builders with a very handsome tortoiseshell casket, containing a brooch in the form of the Rose of York and a model of the liner.

In general dimensions the new vessel is similar to her predecessors, but her service speed will be 18½ knots, an increase of a half to one knot as compared with the "Duchess of Bedford" and the "Duchess of Atholl," but identical with that of the "Duchess of Richmond." She will make the passage from Liverpool to Montreal in seven days. Her full complement of passengers is 1,561.

Mr. Beatty's Message

At the luncheon after the launch, which was presided over by Lord Aberconway, Sir George McLaren Brown, in proposing "Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York," said he would like to discharge a very happy duty assigned to him by Mr. E. W. Beatty, President and Chairman of the Canadian Pacific Company, who, in a cable, desired him to express on behalf of himself and his directors their sincere appreciation of the very high honour their Royal Highnesses had conferred upon the company, and particularly of the gracious act of her Royal Highness in standing sponsor to the noble ship which bears her name—(applause)—and, further, to express the hope that the "Duchess of York" launched under such distinguished patronage, would be a credit to their Atlantic service, and would constitute further evidence of the supremacy of British

dominion of Canada, and to one of that Dominion's greatest assets, the Canadian Pacific Railway. (Applause.) He could assure her Royal Highness that that day would never be forgotten in Clydebank. He did not speak so much for the directors—they were intensely grateful—but he wanted to voice the gratitude of all the craftsmen who built that magnificent vessel, and who maintained the reputation of the yard. (Applause.) He was sure they would all desire that he should express their great appreciation of the recognition of their work which her Royal Highness paid in giving them the honour that day. (Applause.) They in Scotland above all appreciated the visit from a Scottish lady to help them in their work.

Very Real Pleasure

The Duke of York, in responding, said the Duchess had asked him to say that it had given her very real pleasure to perform the ceremony of launching a Canadian Pacific liner bearing her name—(applause)—and also to express her deep gratitude for the present, which she would always treasure as a charming souvenir of what he thought was an historic occasion. (Applause.) He believed that this was the first occasion that a member of his family had launched a vessel of the Mercantile Marine under the auspices of one of the great overseas Dominions. He felt that those present would join with him in offering to Messrs. John Brown and Co. their warmest congratulations in the successful launching of the "Duchess of York"—(applause)—and on producing a ship of which they and the Canadian Pacific Railway, and indeed the whole of the Mercantile Marine may be proud. (Hear, hear.)

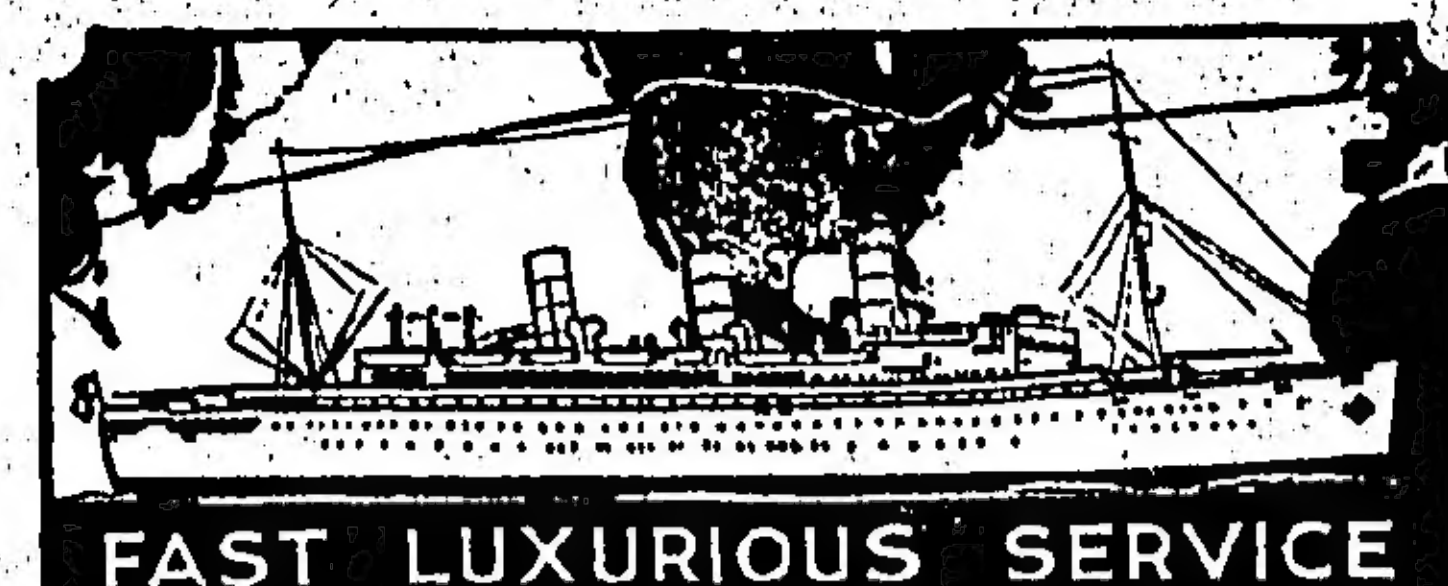
They all knew that the fame of Messrs. John Brown and Co. was world-wide. At present the shipbuilding industry was passing through a difficult time, but he felt confident before long that they should see prosperous days again, and he trusted that shipyard may share in that prosperity. (Applause.)

The building of the Duchess class made yet another chapter in the wonderful history of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the story of its romantic beginnings and of the foresight and courage of its pioneers, such as Lord Mountstephen, Lord

the ties that bind the Dominions and the Mother Country together. (Applause.)

He would like to remind them of the suggestion which was put forward by the Prince of Wales to the business men of Great Britain that they should visit Canada in their spare time—(applause)—and see for themselves what great opportunities exist there, and he could assure them that they would lack for nothing in the way of comfort if they arranged to travel in the "Duchess of York," or one of her sister-ships. (Lord applause.)

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TANDA	6,956	1st Mar.	

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ROYAL LAUNCH

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Second To None
The chairman in proposing success to the steamer "Duchess of York" and her owners, the Canadian Pacific, said if there was one bond stronger than another which binds the Canadian Pacific to John Brown and Company apart from their patriotic instincts it was the motto "Second to none." (Hear, hear.) The Canadian Pacific Company had shown themselves far in advance of every one of the Colonial enterprises John Brown and Company were acquainted with in their far-seeing energy and their forthrightness, not merely for the present, but for the future. That great railroad across Canada, with which their name is associated, is known to them all. The vessels which constitute their great Trans-Atlantic line, and their Pacific lines were world-famous, and he felt proud as chairman of John Brown and Company to think that they had been able to play up to their high ideas of what a great steamship ought to be.

They had had opportunities for many years of supplying the Canadian Pacific Company with their tonnage requirements, and the "Duchess of York" was the last, but he hoped not for very long, of a series of great ships. Her predecessors were more than fulfilling the contract conditions which were entered into in their actual sailings, both as regards fuel consumption and speed. In these days of costly fuel and expenses all round, the owners of a great steamship had to consider economies in all directions, and there was no direction in which economies were more eagerly sought for than in the consumption of fuel.

Record in Fuel Economy
In regard to these last two vessels, the mean fuel consumption in several round voyages have fully confirmed the wonderful results which they obtained on their official trials. The performances of these two ships constitute an absolute record in fuel economy. He thought Captain Gillies, who really deserved all the credit for the design of the ship, would agree with him that this great stride in economy could really be termed epoch-making. He did not want to take credit for what had been done, because it was their object to carry out the specifications and designs which had been placed before them by Captain Gillies and his coadjutors in connection with the line, but they would be glad to know that each of these vessels with economy of fuel consumption had attained an average speed of over 18 knots in actual service in the North Atlantic.

With regard to the "Duchess of York," they had again an improvement to record. Her lines had been slightly fined compared with her predecessors, and she would, he confidently contended, be able to steam at as great a speed, if not greater, than her predecessors. This would enable her, if occasion should require, to take her place with the 19-knot express steamers of the Canadian Pacific Co., which sail from Southampton to Quebec. It was a great pleasure to think that in the march of progress towards speed and reduced costs they had been able to achieve the results hoped for by their Canadian friends in turning out vessels that could comply with these modern requirements.

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Captain Gillies' Appreciation
Captain James Gillies, responding, said that when they completed the trials of the "Duchess of York" in early January the Canadian Pacific Company would be assuming that ownership of a vessel which would be a credit to the close co-operation between the builders and themselves. He wished to take that opportunity of expressing their appreciation of the wholehearted co-operation and assistance which had been given by the directors, managers and workmen of the Clydebank organisation.

The chairman, in responding, said that the whole staff of the company with which he had been connected for over 40 years was always anxious and able to carry out to the best of their ability the new ideas which were like Captain Gillies and his friends put forward in regard to that great shipbuilding industry in which they were all interested.

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The American Mail Liner "President Jefferson" will sail to-day at 6 p.m. for Manila.

The M.V. "Delhi" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on Oct. 7, and is due here to-morrow.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Shanghai yesterday at 2.30 p.m., left Shanghai to-day at 7 a.m., and is due at Nagasaki to-morrow at Noon.

The B. I. s.s. "Trewellard" left Singapore for this port on Nov. 5 at p.m., and is due here on Monday.

The American Mail Liner "President McKinley" will sail from Manila homeward bound to-day at 4 p.m. arriving in Hong Kong on Monday, at 7 a.m., and will sail on Tuesday, at 9 a.m. for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.

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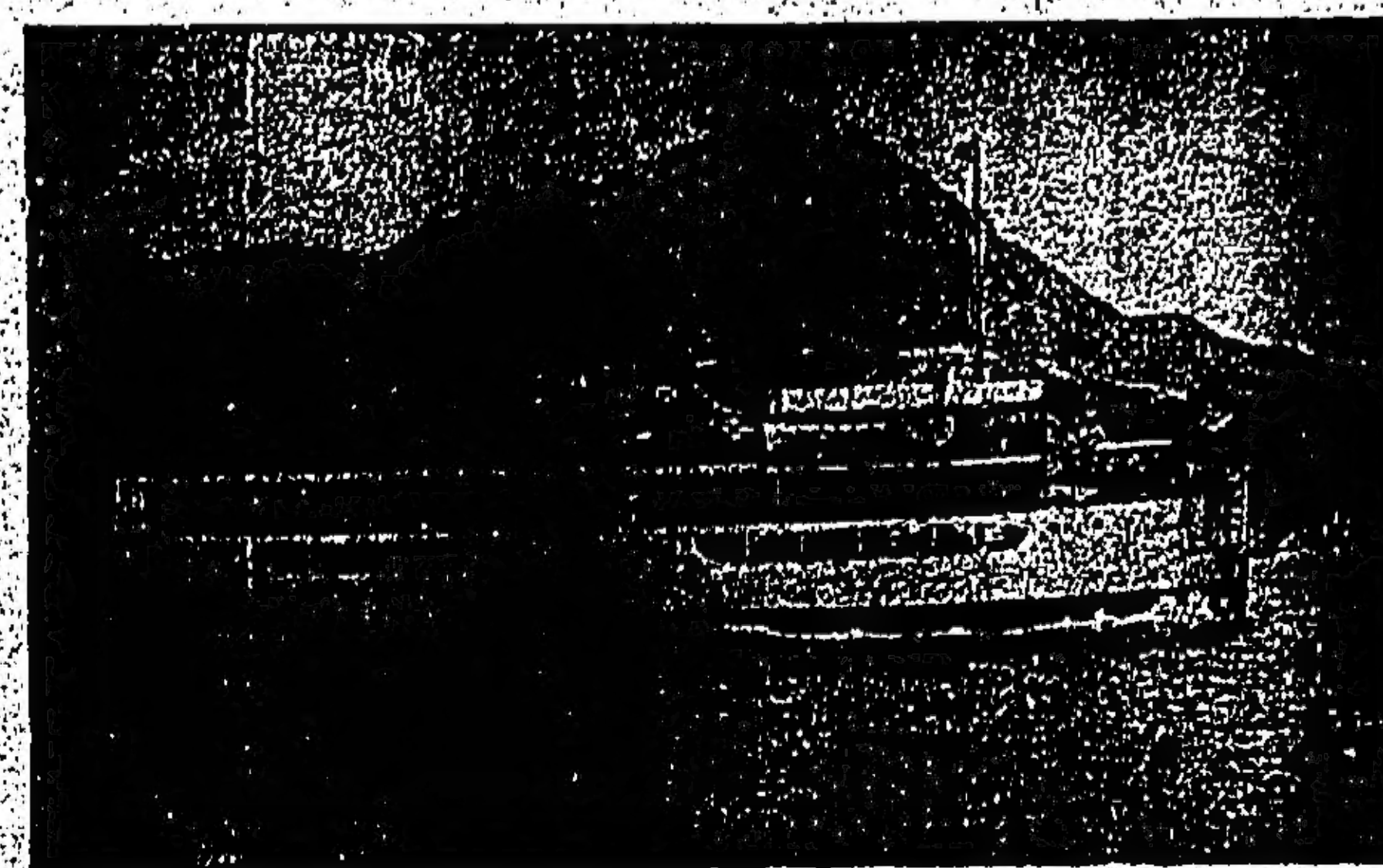
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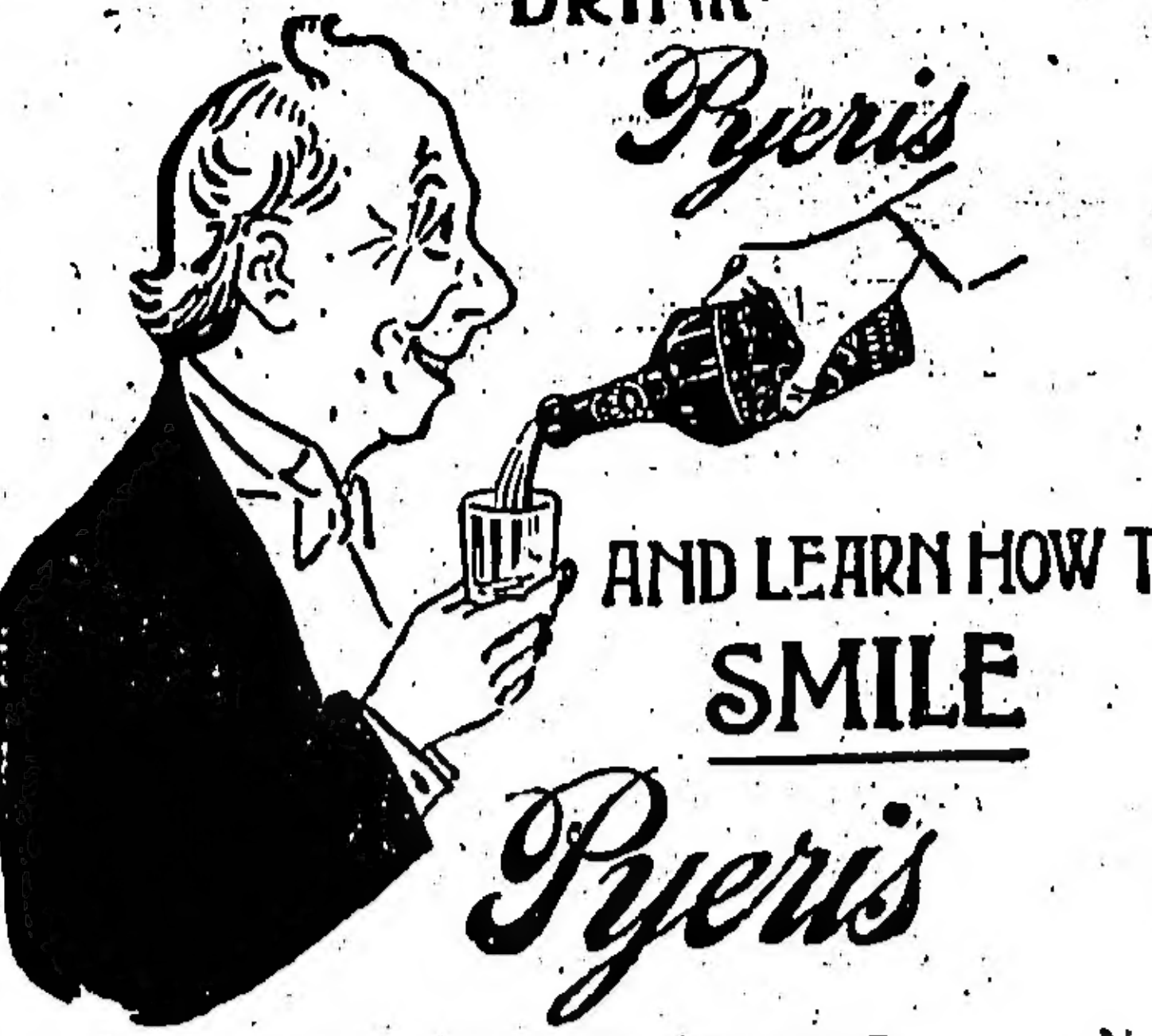
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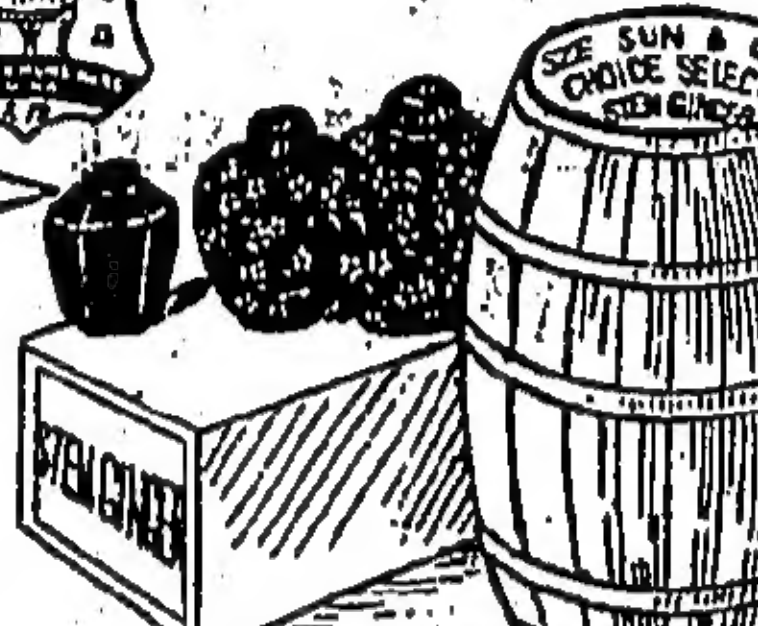
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A LOOK AROUND

[By The Mail Men]

The editor of a Fools—And newspaper re- Others ceives from time to time such a number of queer requests from members of the public and from officials of all classes that he rapidly learns to suffer fools gladly. Also, from time to time, he gets requests from individuals who, to all intents and purposes, are not fools, and then he sits up and takes notice. Such an instance is furnished by the letter which appeared in the *China Mail* yesterday from the honorary secretary of the Medical Board, Mr. M. M. Watson, a local solicitor, is the honorary secretary, and he writes to point out that, in view of the Board, the name of a medical practitioner who attends professionally a patient should not be given publicity in the newspapers. "It is undesirable," says Mr. Watson, who adds that the Board "would be glad if you would make a point of refraining from mentioning the name of the doctor who is professionally concerned in any particular case."

Now Mr. Watson should know, or the Publicity members of the Board that "instructed" him should know, that what may be "undesirable" to the medical profession may not be undesirable to the newspaper-reading public—just as a lot that is undesirable to the public is mightily desirable to the medical profession. No newspaper intentionally gives a medical free publicity, and no medical worth his salt, in view of the ethics of his profession, seeks free publicity. It is not, therefore, the business of a medical society—or any other kind of society—to tell a newspaper what it should or should not do which is why the *China Mail* declines to accede to a request which is contrary to public interest and common usage, to utilise an expression often in the mouths of members of Mr. Watson's profession.

The request from the Medical Board is indeed a cheeky one, and it is only in a badly-balanced little Colony such as Hong Kong that it would be made. There is no ordinance which gives doctors anonymity in regard to their relations with their patients and if there was I would fight tooth-and-nail against it. If a medical man is associated with a case which calls for Press publicity the editor of the paper is the one and only person who is arbiter. If a doctor, by reason of his medical knowledge or surgical skill, saves a human life, tell the world. And if a doctor, by reason of his lack of knowledge or skill, or by reason of sheer carelessness, makes a mess of a case, also tell the world. The Press is the public's only safeguard against quacks and inefficient practitioners and has often given members of the profession badly needed opportunities of putting themselves right in the eyes of the public when they have been wrong in their own boards and associations. No, Mr. Watson, I am afraid it cannot be done.

There was a lot of noise in the kitchen last night, so I went out to investigate. I got no further than the hall, for what I heard made my blood run cold and a peep round the door wasn't very reassuring. The kitchen folk all stood round the table talking excitedly, in their midst, the cook, brandishing a carving knife, "What a shame to kill the poor dear!" said my wife's voice via the boy's tongue. "My no have killed he, market man have do," commented the cook. "You like coat?" he asked the coolie. "Yes, I can, askee wash amah makes me new hat," came the eager answer. Fearing for James, the chow dog I took another look, but just then the cook held up a hare he had bought in the market that morning and sat it on the table. The boy stroked it affectionately. "Little time you b'long soup," he assured it, and, as an afterthought "dam' good soup, too."

"What ting missie have talkie when she see?" demanded the coolie. The cook grunted. "No likee looksee, b'long fool, have scream, 'Oh, isn't he like George,' my have say, 'no, George b'long live, have chow meat to-day.'" Here the boy congratulated him on finding an opportunity to confess the crime which lay heavily upon their hearts, etc. (they had forgotten to put the meat away and, well, cats will be cats.)

"You like hare, soup?" asked the boy, stroking the ears. "Sure," said the cook. "Before, I live up North side, I have stoppe one small liver tug, b'long cook, Master alltime likee hare soup, I have makee he some evely Sat'day." The boy looked puzzled. "But no gottee hare evely month," he said. "Oh, yes, this side have gottee," replied the cook with a wink. "Master plenty like yts' shipside, have gottee two free piece." "And what for you catches sack?" questioned the boy. "Because evely Friday one piece kitten fall over board," said the cook, smiling sadly. "Your home side b'long Tientsin" asked the coolie. "Tientsin" more

far," said the cook. "In the country," corrected the boy. The cook's eyes grew misty. "Just now, yes, b'long finish, makes cuttee goodie," he said with a far-away look, then in a broken voice "Oh, what for I come Hong Kong side?" The boy coughed, then, looking at the future hare-soup on the table. "You were rather a fool," said my voice, and they all laughed.

"Think so to-morrow we can chow James," said the coolie hopefully. "This morning have chow all my black-for-shoes," he added, grinning. "Missie angry?" asked the boy sympathetically. "She talkie my b'long fool, but I savee all Foreign man b'long mad," he said with the air of a fatalist. He busied himself among the tins and things under the table for a minute and when he reappeared he held in his hand a cake left from tea. "James b'long chow dog, can eattee anything, no makee sick," remarked the cook. "Next time I see gleedy James, I smack he," said the boy. And it was so.

Ought he to have lost his job for becoming human? After all, the lady asked for it, and while one does not always tell a lady the cold truth, especially when a salesman in a leading Hong Kong drapery store, there are times when even the urbanity of a salesman must crack. She drifted in to the big local store, with a very spoiled

The Civil Service

Information concerning the Civil Service in Hong Kong has been given in these columns on previous weeks. At the end of this series will be found a number of very interesting paragraphs. Further articles about the Civil Service, as it applies to Hong Kong, will appear on successive Saturdays in this column.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. E. Moore of Taikoo Dockyard and Miss Elizabeth R. Dow, who is due to arrive by the "Naldera."

At Thursday's weekly meeting of the Hong Kong Lodge, the Theosophical Society, Mr. H. E. Laneport, of the Hong Kong Lodge T.S., and the Theosophical Order of Service, gave an address on the subject: "The Theosophical Order of Service."

Mr. Leung Kin, who died in his native village, U. Lam, Kaukung district, Kwangtung, on July 8, 1927, left Hong Kong estate which has been sworn under \$61,300. Letters of administration have been granted to his son, Mr. Leung Yau-chi, of No. 169, Queen's-road Central.

D. W. Griffith's famous production "Drums of Love" with Mary Philbin and Lionel Barrymore closes its season to-day at the Queen's Theatre. Other pictures also showing for the last time to-day are, "The Black Pirate," Douglas Fairbanks' epic picture of the sea, at the World, and "A Little Journey," a fascinating story of romance on a train, at the Star.

A verdict of "death owing to misadventure" was returned yesterday when Mr. R. E. Lindell, sitting as Coroner, assisted by a jury, inquired into the circumstance of a fatal motor accident on Oct. 31, at Queen's-road West. The jury expressed the opinion that the attention of the authorities be called to the danger of the blind exit at the point where the fatality occurred.

The Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A. dance for Service Men was well attended by representatives of all Services. Music was supplied by the Chinese Jazz Band from Hong Kong University under the leadership of Mr. H. Leong. A fox-trot competition was won by Miss B. Laing and Gnr. Carr, R.A., and a waltz competition by Miss N. Morsyn and A. C. Forrester, R.A.F. Prizes were presented by Mrs. Baskett. It is hoped to hold similar functions monthly.

The Secretaries of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Bridges-street entertained last evening the delegation from the Student Y.M.C.A. of China, on the way to attend the meeting of the World's Student Christian Federation, which is to be held in Madras in December. The deputation consists of Mr. T. L. Shen, National Student Secretary from Shanghai, Mr. P. L. Chang, son of President Chang Po-ling of Nankai University in Tientsin, and Mr. T. C. Peng, a secretary of the Y.M.C.A. in Swatow.

The local Chinese Young Men's Christian Association is making preparations for the visit tomorrow of Dr. David Yui, from Shanghai. Dr. Yui is widely known as the General Secretary of the National Committee of the Y.M.C.A. of China. His last visit to the Colony was in February of this year when he passed through on his way to Jerusalem. As Chairman of the National Christian Council of China, he was leader of the China delegation of twelve men and women to the Jerusalem Conference on Christian work around the world.

If the Governor considers that any officer (not appointed by Warrants and whose salary is less than \$100 a year) should be removed on grounds of general inefficiency, he must call for a full report from the heads of the departments in which the officer served; and, if satisfied that it is necessary in the interests of the public service, he may remove the officer. In every such case the question of pension will be dealt with under the laws of regulations of the Colony.

In the case of any officer whose pensionable emoluments exceed \$100 a year, the Governor may suspend him from the exercise of his office and from the enjoyment of his salary, in which case certain regulations must be strictly observed, unless the mode of suspension is otherwise provided for by local law. The Governor has to signify to the officer, by a statement in writing, the grounds of the intended suspension, and shall call upon him to state in writing before a day to be specified (which day must allow a reasonable interval for the purpose) any grounds upon which he relies to exculpate himself. If the officer does not furnish such statement within the time fixed by the Governor, or if he fails to exculpate himself to the satisfaction of the Governor, the Governor shall cause the officer to be informed that on a specified day the question of his suspension will be brought before the Executive Council and that he will be allowed and, if the Council so determine, required to appear before the Council and defend himself orally.

The next Criminal Sessions opens on Monday, November 19.

The transport "Dorsetshire" is expected to arrive here at eight o'clock on Monday morning from Shanghai.

H.M.S. "Berwick" left Tsingtao yesterday for Fusan and H.M.S. "Suffolk," another cruiser, left Wei-hai-wei for Nagasaki.

Bills to amend the Pharmacy and Poison Ordinance of 1916 and to award the law relating to Stamp Duty will be introduced at the next meeting of the Legislative Council.

Mr. Y. S. Gill, of the Kowloon Post Office, reports to the police that his daughter Angeline, was bitten on the right leg by his dog. The animal was removed to Mau-tao-kok for observation.

The death has occurred of Leading Stoker Edgar George Collins of H.M.S. "Kent." He was a bachelor and his home was in Mereworth, Kent. Death was due to natural causes.

The Hong Kong and New Territories Ferry Co., Ltd., has been granted a licence for 10 years for the exclusive maintenance of ferries between Hong Kong and Aberdeen, Castle Peak, Tai O and Tsuen Wan.

The St. Andrew's Brotherhood, last evening, held a successful social entertainment at the St. Andrew's Church Hall, when a large number of friends and members were present. An orchestra provided excellent music, to which many couples danced. Competitions provided good fun. Light refreshments were provided.

At a meeting of the Hong Kong University Christian Association, to be held at St. John's Hall, Bonham-road, on Sunday, Nov. 11, at 4.45 p.m., a lecture will be delivered by Dr. David Z. T. Yui, M.A., Litt. D., General Secretary of the National Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association in China and Chairman of the China Group of the Institute of Pacific Relations.

CORRESPONDENCE

AN OVERSIGHT

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—With reference to the paragraph which appeared in your paper of yesterday's date under the heading "Running a Lift," in which it is stated that I had a claim in the Summary Court against Messrs. Leong Hing Kee, and that the defendants were neither present nor represented, I wish to explain that the question of the maintenance of the lift was in dispute between myself and Messrs. Leong Hing Kee and that the whole matter was settled between us; but, through an oversight, we had omitted to inform our solicitors, Messrs. Deacons, that the matter had been settled before the case came before His Honour the Puisne Judge yesterday morning. I trust you will be kind enough to insert this letter so as to remove any wrong impression which might be entertained in view of the non-appearance of Messrs. Leong Hing Kee.

Yours etc.,
H. M. H. NEMAZEE.

Hong Kong, Nov. 9, 1928.

CAPTAIN FINED

SUPPLYING OF NECESSARY INFORMATION

AN INFRINGEMENT

Capt. O. A. Hoeg, master of the a.s. "Tang Shan," who failed to appear in Court after a summons had been served, was brought up before Comdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court this morning.

The defendant was charged with failing to furnish such information as required in accordance with table K (a) and with failing to shift berth before noon on Nov. 7, as ordered by the harbour master.

Capt. Hoeg, pleading guilty to both charges, explained to the Court that he had not attempted to break the regulations. His vessel was at the time going from Amoy to Saigon, and owing to a breakdown of the engine, his vessel was anchored outside the harbour limit. He was not discharging cargo here, so he did not supply any information. Defendant also stated that he was ignorant of the regulations, as he had only come down from Canton yesterday afternoon.

The Magistrate quoted from the regulations that any vessel on arriving within the harbour limits must furnish necessary information. Defendant was fined \$50 on each charge.

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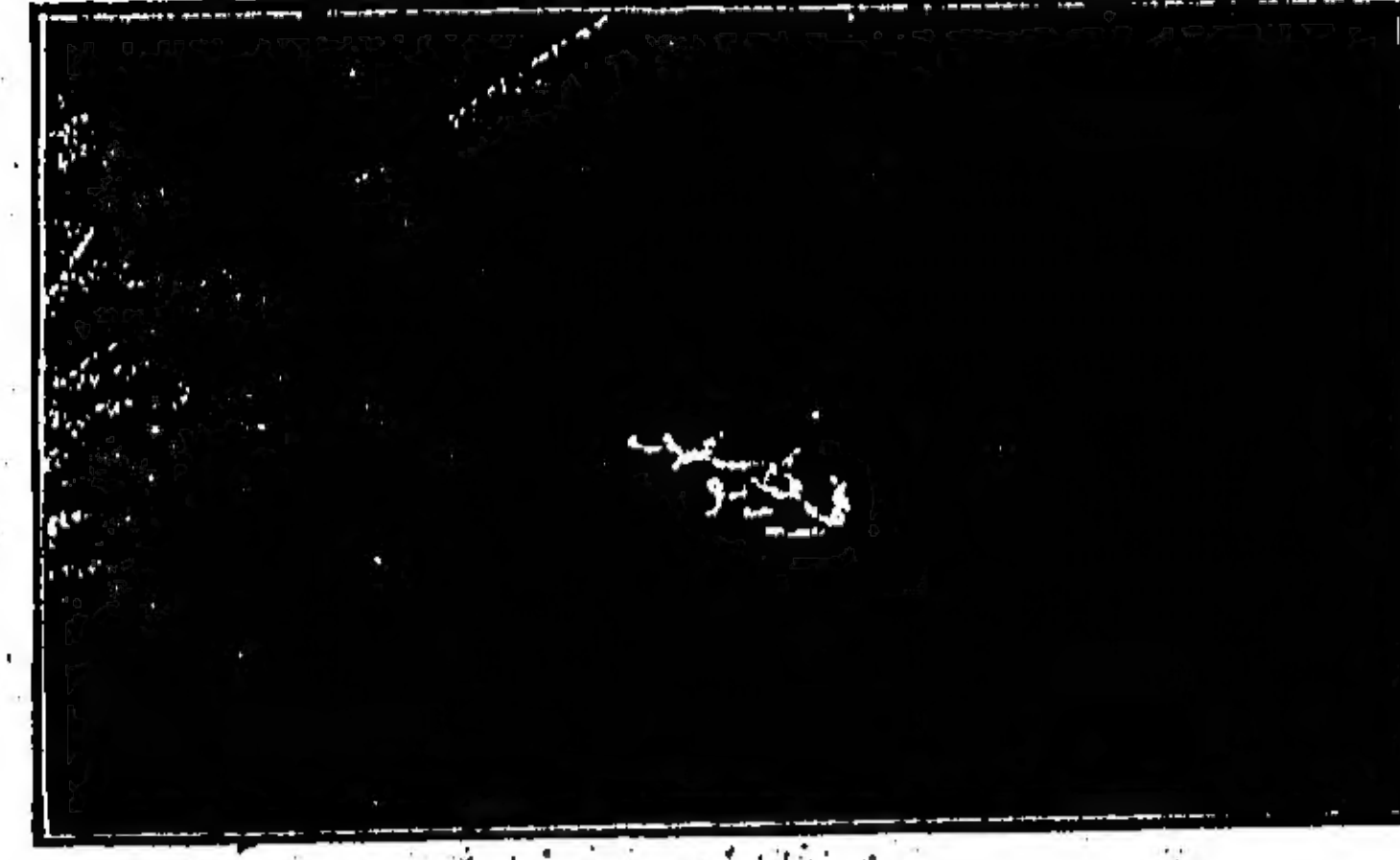
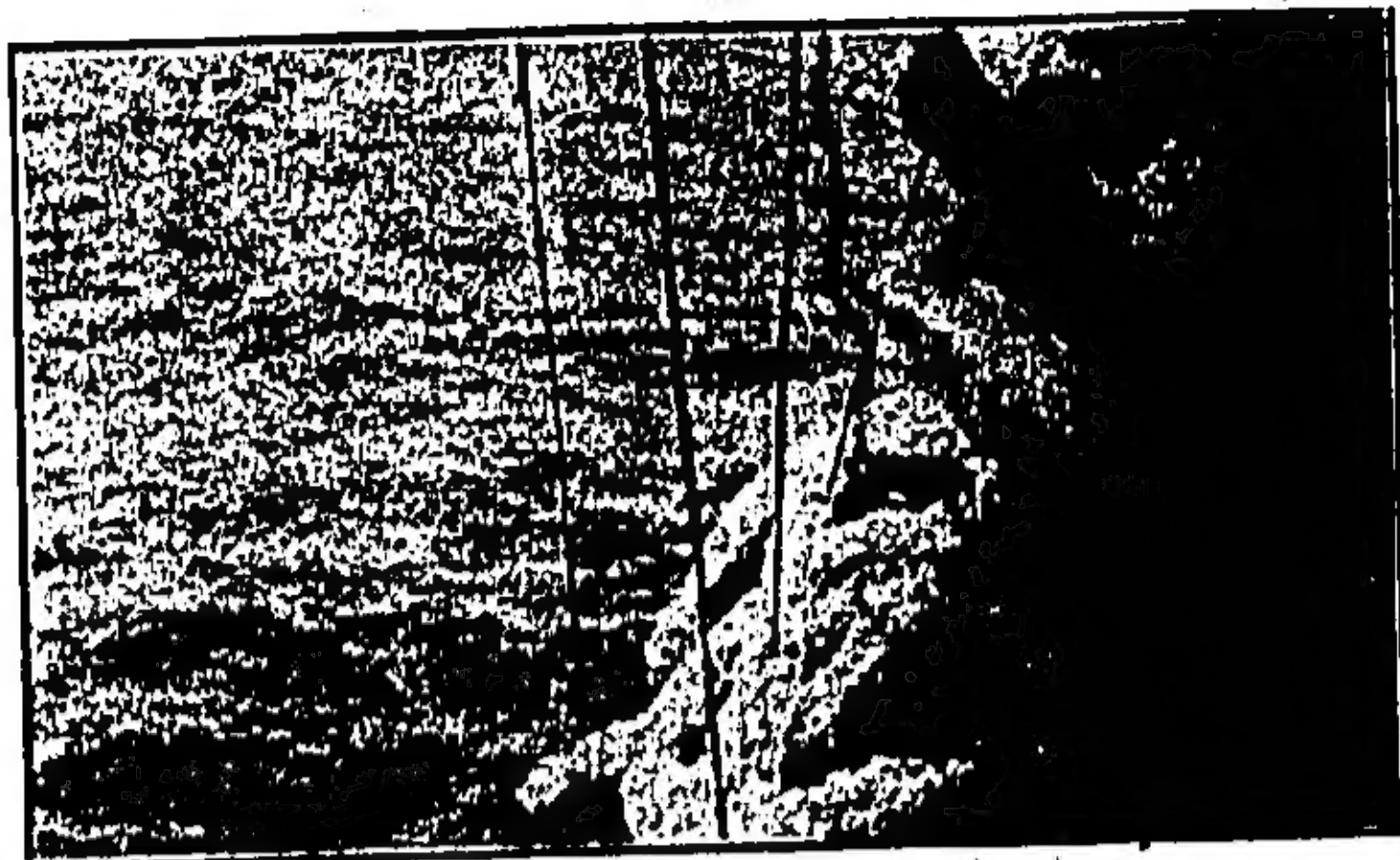
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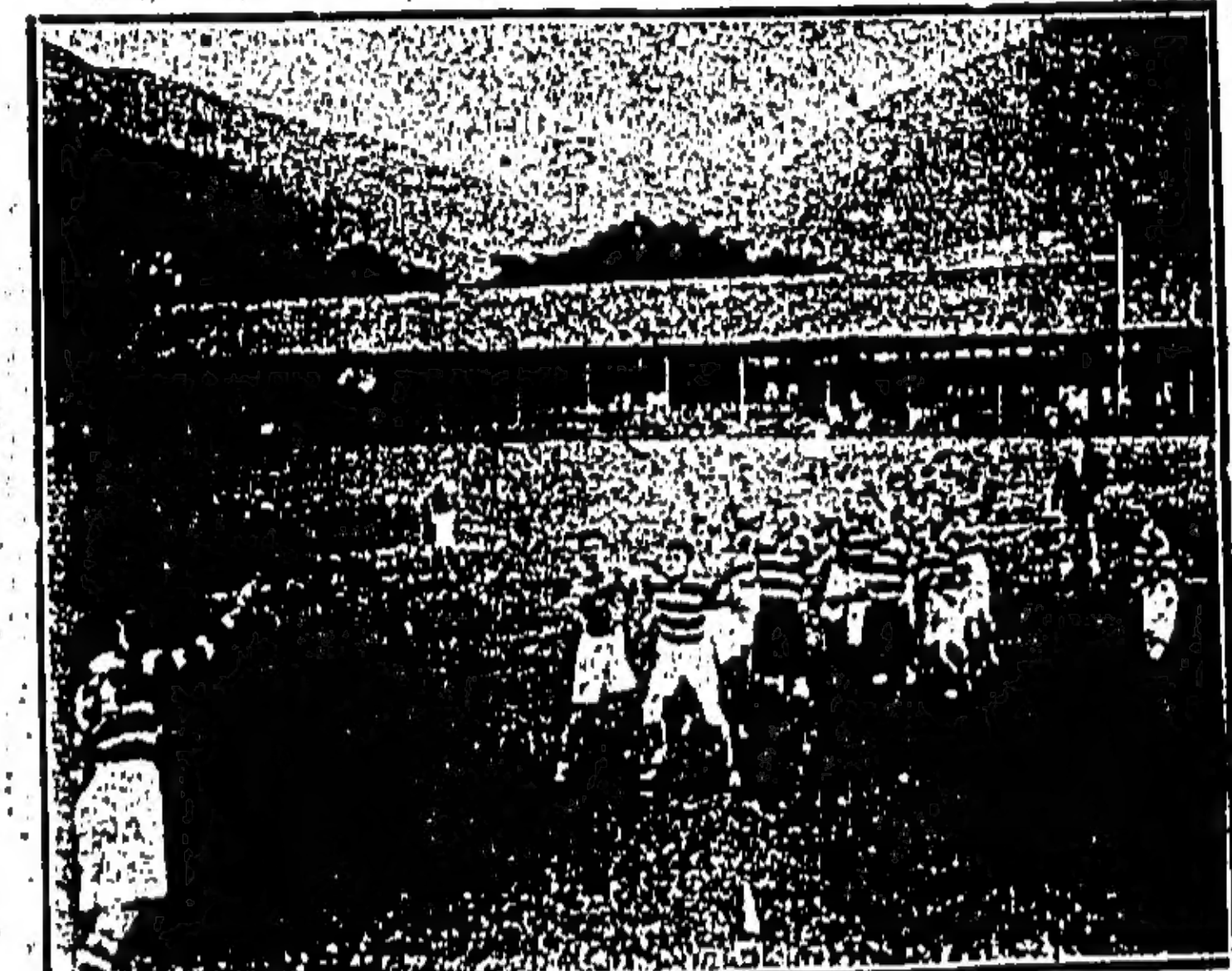
WHERE THE BODIES OF GALLANT MEN WERE CONSIGNED TO THE DEEP.—Pictures taken aboard a sister-ship of the recently-pirated "Anking" during a memorial service over the spot where the bodies of the Chief Officer and Chinese Quartermaster were thrown overboard by the pirates.



LAWN BOWLS SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP FINALISTS.—Left, J. Ferguson (Talkoo Recreation Club) who beat A. R. Clark (Police Recreation Club) by 21 shots to 11 at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club last Saturday.—(K. Fujiyama).



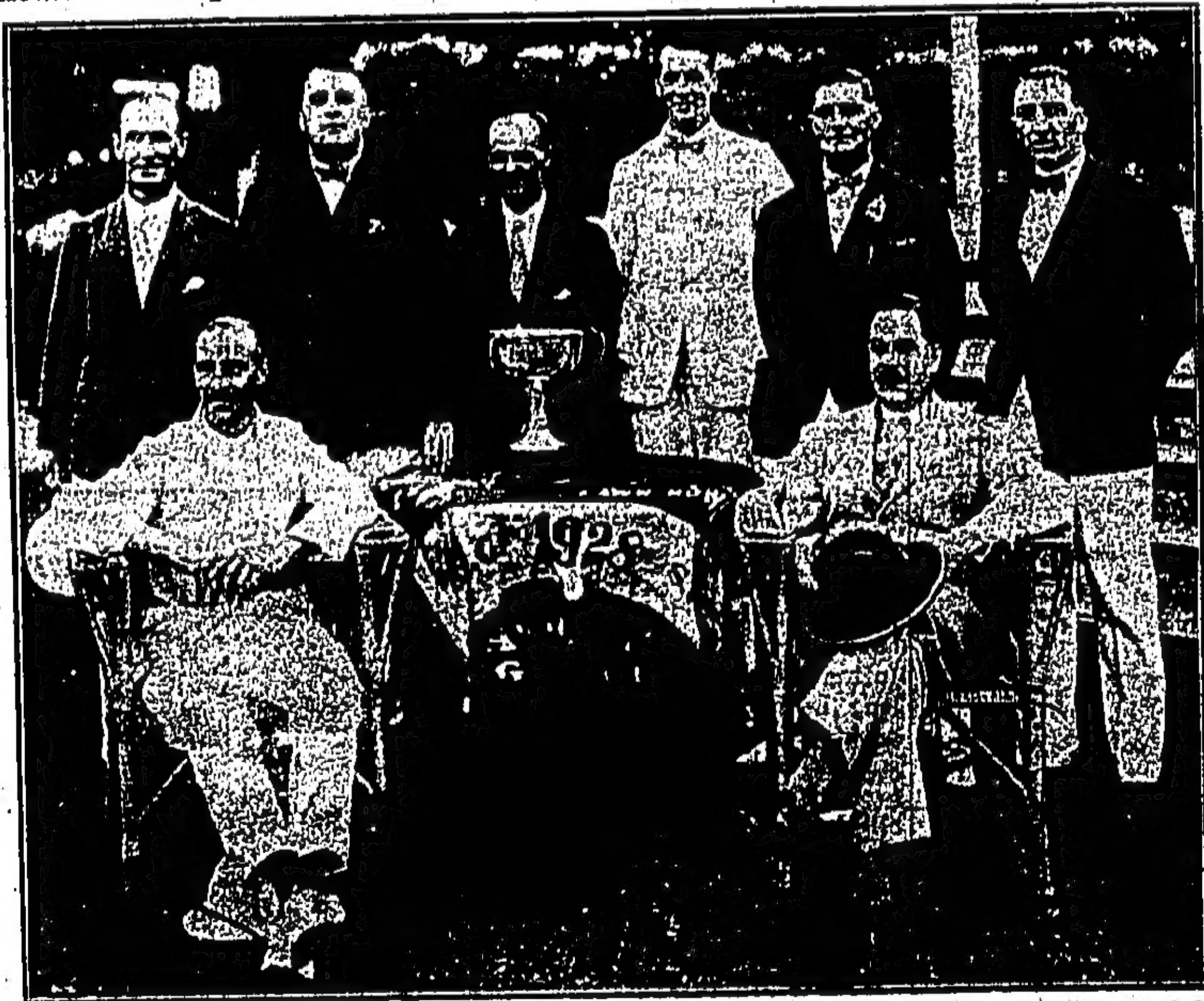
A NEW STAR.—Mr. Li Man-loong, one of the "leading men" of the Tai Law Tin troupe, in a difficult pose borrowed from the northern Chinese stage. Mr. Li is one of the most promising of new Cantonese actors.



CLUB BEAT AN ARMY XV.—At Happy Valley, when the H.K.F.C. (rugger section) beat an Army team, mostly from the 2nd Bn. K.O.S.B.'s, by 9 points to 3. One of the Club team throwing in.—(K. Fujiyama).



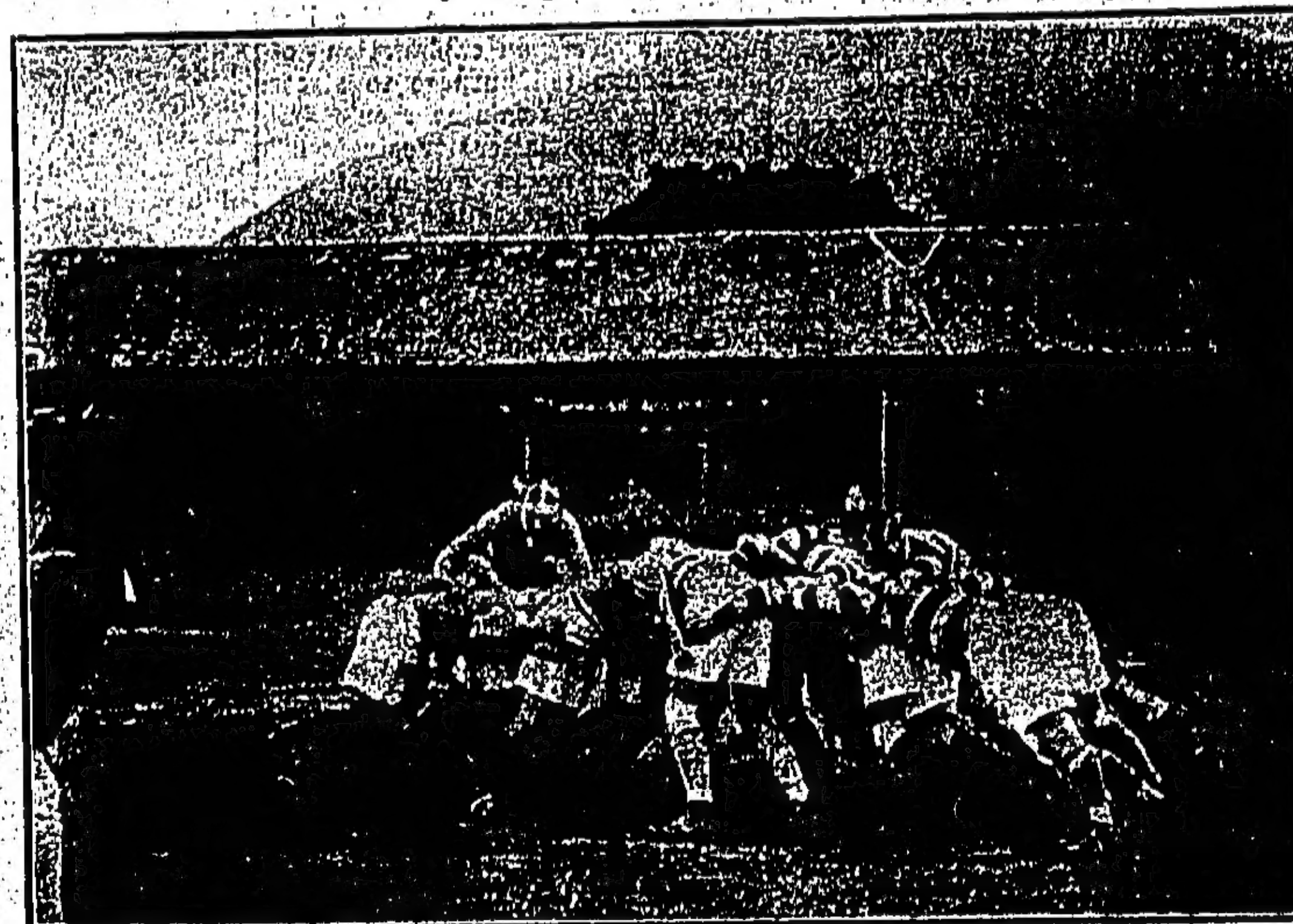
THE RUNNER-UP.—A. R. Clark of Police R. C. against J. Ferguson (standing behind him) in the lawn bowls singles championship at the K.B.G.C. last Saturday.—(K. Fujiyama).



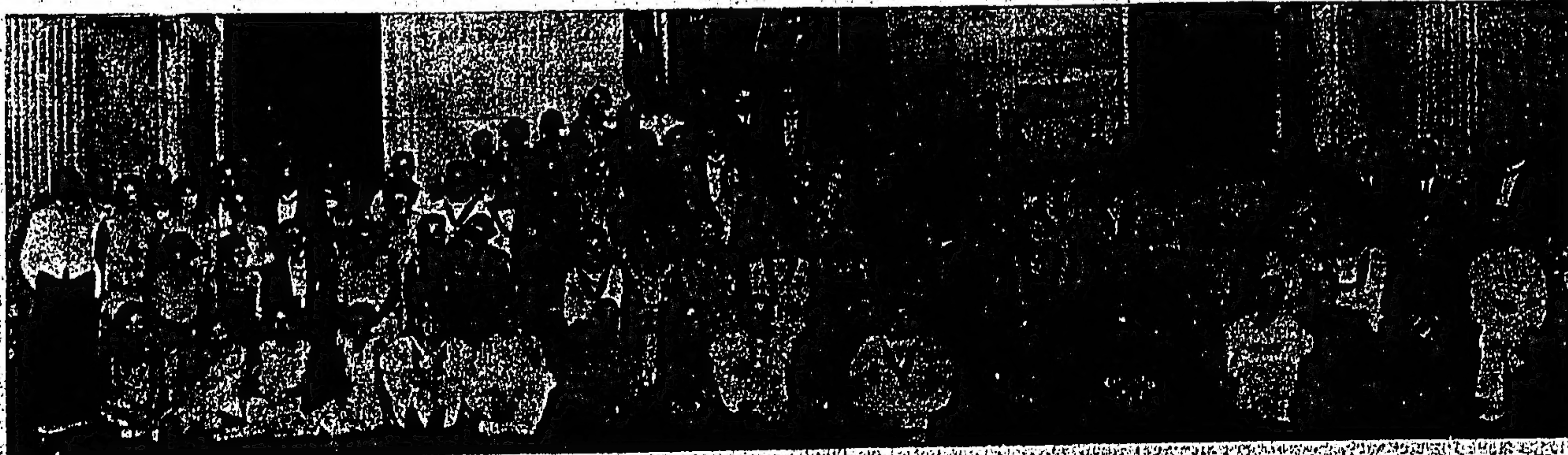
H.K. INTERPORT VICTORS.—Those who won the lawn bowls at Shanghai. Left to right, standing, Johnny Brown (Kowloon Dock, No. 3), Danny Mair (Police R.C., reserve), J. Laing (Talkoo, No. 1), A. M. Holland (Kowloon Bowling Green Club, skip), A. W. Grimmit (Civil Service, No. 2); A. Chapman (Kowloon C.C., reserve); seated, Mr. C. J. Tacchi (hon. sec. H.K.L.B.A.), Mr. B. Wylie (President, H.K.L.B.A.). On the table is the Prentice Cup and the flag is that handed over by the Shanghai L.B.A. Group taken last Saturday at the K.B.G.C.—(K. Fujiyama).



WHERE CHOW IS COOKED.—In the centre, right, a woman at the stern of a sampan.—(Strict copyright of Dr. A. Cannon).



ARMY GET THE BALL.—A scrum in the match in which the H.K.F.C. (rugger section) beat an Army XV at Happy Valley last week, with the military heeling out.—(K. Fujiyama).



DANCE ORGANISED BY THE POLICE BRANCH OF THE M.C.L.—In the City Hall, some of those who attended the function of the Hong Kong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, arranged by Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, M.B.E., and her band of enthusiastic helpers. It will be seen that representatives of all branches of the Fighting Services are present, coming from a variety of units in Hong Kong.—(K. Fujiyama).



J. FERGUSON.—Of Talkoo, at play in the lawn bowls singles championship of the Colony. He beat A. R. Clark (standing at left) by 21 shots to 11.—(K. Fujiyama).

THE "MAILS" FASHIONS ILLUSTRATED

THE HOOKED RUG ENTERS THE MODERN HOME

The Oldtime Art of Hand-Hooking Rugs Is Again Prevailing in Younger Circles. Patterns May Reflect a Colonial Spirit or Be Done in the Modernistic Patterns



Harking back to a period when it was a natural industry the art of hooking rugs is to-day one of the favourite pastimes of the younger generation interested in antiques or the acquisition of things possessing the flavour of days gone by.

Colonial possessions have a charm of their own. The quaintness and beauty of the hand-made rugs, quilts, furniture, old pieces of glass and china, lamps, pewter and brasses all are reflected in the home decorations of many of the modern homes. It is not always possible to have these possessions handed down nor is it always possible to acquire them. Sometimes, too, they are not in keeping with the spirit of the home decorations.

But when the home does possess Colonial leanings it is always possible to add to its charms by using rugs and quilts copied from old-time patterns and done by hand as our forefathers did them.

The modernistic note in home decorations is also being expressed in these quaint old rugs and quilts. Patterns which express our angles, our geometric lines, our own stimulating designs and fresh combination of colours may all be found and used in place of the pattern of olden days if they better suit the present day decorative scheme of the home. Angles at present are a topic of chief interest in home decorations. The bizarre effects of these designs are really

interesting when done in hooked rugs or in quilts.

The needed articles to make a hooked rug are few and they are easily procurable from the art shops or departments of the larger stores. A frame to hold the work, designs to stencil, a hooking implement, burlap to hook into and either the wool thread yarn or pieces of material cut into the right width—about a half inch, and the rug is ready to be started. When finished the ends may be cut or allowed to stay as they are hooked through according to taste.

Thelma Todd, whose spare moments are spent in making rugs and quilts, is pictured working on a hooked rug after finishing the First National motion picture, "The Crash."

Miss Todd has used a pattern of olden appeal and finds that it fits into her home decorations beautifully. The Colonial flavour adds a quaint note with modern furnishings.

ELEGANCE THE NEW KEYNOTE

So great a change is being wrought in the temper of our fashions that the originators of each new season's mode feel called upon to offer an explanation of their undoubted purpose to stress formality, the feminine theme and elegance, the latter "restrained," but very apparent. For one thing, they say that social life has again taken on all the characteristics of formality that the war caused to be discarded.

Standards are set and conventions followed, and to meet the fashion needs of this new era in social life there must be standards set and conventions followed in the apparel we select. One plays tennis, goes shopping, attends a luncheon and bridge, and ends the day with dinner and an evening at the theatre, or dancing. For no two of the four occasions can she wear the same type of frock-wrap and accessories.

This the rule, of course, in circles where social life is the business of the day, but whether that be our life or not, it shapes the general fashions in which we share. And it follows logically that we arrange our wardrobe to include the types that best fit the life we lead, stressing certain things to the exclusion of others, but somehow meeting every need. Fundamentally, adherence to type is a form of elegance.

Every characteristic of the mode of to-day contributes to this other characteristic—whether it be feminine details, formal requirements or the ensemble principle. When our sports clothes take on the niceties of line that now typify them, and are made of fine fabrics in arresting colours, they become instantly possessed of elegance. We shall see that elegance is, basically, refinement of the essentials.

Even our cotton clothes are beautiful, their cost increasing as elegance is featured. We like them when they possess the silky sheen of rayon threads, in their weave, and this new yarn is adding elegance to elegance, making velvets and satins more attractive. Before we purchase a model we run the fabric through our fingers, for fabric counts more than any other one thing, for they are usually trimmings as well.

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FALL FASHIONS ARE EXCEEDINGLY GRACEFUL

The Normal and Slender Hipline Are Featured. The Flaring Circular Skirt and the Dipped Hemline Possess Charm. Satin and Velvet Are Favored Materials



Last fall the elegance of the new mode was supremely established. The winter season emphasized the formality of the mode and the spring and summer seasons showed an increased femininity of line and detail. Notes to add to the general departure from the straight, boyish line that was for so long the byword of the mode, the new fall models are stressing the importance of grace of movement and detail.

There is a flutter and movement to the newest gowns and wraps that establishes an elegance and femininity feeling as well as an exceedingly graceful silhouette.

There is no distinct and single silhouette that dominates the style. There is a tendency towards a restrained elegance. The daytime costume is slightly flaring, with a waistline that is nearly normal, a slightly fitted hipline, a bodice that is not fitted and a hemline that comes below the knees.

The evening gowns show several silhouettes struggling for supremacy. There is the bouffant gown which goes through succeeding season with undiminished appeal. Now it shows several puffed flounces to add to its variety and in other instances to a series of flounces of uneven finish. The normal waistline and loose bodice with skirt falling in dipped lines of grace in the back is another favourite of the fall. Another appealing formal fashion is of the

low waist, snug hipline and long skirt with the inevitable dip in the back.

A few outstanding features of the mode are: Bows, used freely and smartly; the girdled hip with tiers and bindings terminating in flares; back fullnesses in formal and semi-formal modes; lingerie collars, stiff fabrics for the evening gowns; tiers, used in all sorts of interesting skirt treatments; flat furs for trimming; velvet and satin featured in frocks for all occasions; scarfs to brighten the detail of the gown; colours of wide variety including browns of all shades, blues in wide choice, green, black printed velvets in tiny calico prints, dull crepes and sheer one-colour velvets, laces in all colours and weights.

For the woman who looks and feels smartest in sports clothes there are to be found a new fashion which possesses a little of the elegance of the present day mode. Formal fabrics are developed in simple sports lines. Imported vel-

velts in a variety of design including the very smart checks fashion one and two-piece dresses and cardigan suits.

Wraps for evening are extremely elegant and they are designed so as to harmonize with the new type of evening dress. They, too, are uneven as to line and distinguished as to cut. Flares, fullnesses and tiers mark their chic.

Coats, too, show the dipped hemline, seamings and graceful lines that dominate the fall frocks. Fur collars and furless collars are new notes. Coats in some instances are much longer to conform to the lines of the dipped dress, while others seek to remain short with straight lines.

Colleen Moore, in First National's "Oh Kay," establishes a chic wardrobe which advances many of the season's most important points. Miss Moore is noted for the originality of her clothes and at all times chooses a suitably selected wardrobe as well as one featuring new modes.

REAL LACE TRIMMING

A Feature of the Fall Mode Is Expressed in the Popularity of Lace as a Decorative Addition



The feminine angle in fall clothes is being expressed frequently in the addition of feminine frills as well as in the lines of the frocks themselves. There are of course draped effects, panels, uneven hemlines and other means of departure from the straight and narrow outlines heretofore associated with feminine chic. These are important. But the addition of

feminine furbelows also mark a new note this season.

Jackets, ruffles, scarfs, deep collars, old cuffs, girdles and all sorts of decorative features are introduced to soften the silhouette.

The fall wardrobe will witness a variety of fabrics. They will be both sheer and sturdy and each will demand a particular type of trimming to make effective the ensemble. One of the most successful means of bringing feminine charm to the fore will be found in the addition of lace—for all purposes.

The collar, cuff, tie, scarf, pocket and all other places which require decorations will find lace brings a charm of its own as well as conforming to the present day standard of femininity.

Alice White, whose fall wardrobe is an interesting one, wears a frock of simple charm and appeal in the First National film, "Show Girl." Miss White has chosen as a dinner dress a sleeveless chiffon in flesh tint. Three circular ruffles to the knee-length hem emphasize the feminine movement. Real lace is introduced as an effective and quaint trimming for the collar, pocket and ends of the sash which ties a slender waist.

INDIAN JEWELLERY

Though our fashions still come from France for the most part, our "cravats" very often seem to reach us by way of America. That is to say, that any particular rage for an item in the fashion becomes the rage in America before it is taken up elsewhere. The new or revised may have been created in Europe to begin with, but in America it becomes a craze, and so draws public notice that when at length it reaches us it strikes us as a novelty. Again and again this has happened. The latest thing to be "collected" in the States is Indian jewellery of beaten or all-gold silver, so that old necklaces, belts, buckles, and brooches are eagerly sought for and command good prices. Antique specimens are, of course, especially prized, and as there is a great quantity of such work in England (often laid away by its owners in long neglect or sold for next to nothing in "lots" of outmoded ornaments) American women who are over just now are busily buying up all they can lay hands on. They scour such places as the Caledonia Market and return in triumph with strings of silver fish or buttons or jointed collar necklaces, and by the time we have ourselves discovered how suitable such decorations are to the present fashions the best goods will have gone West, and what remains will have soared to prices beyond most of our purses.

For those who have old all-gold or fringed jewellery or embossed work, presented long ago by old Uncle Tom or John (which of us has not had at least one uncle in India?), and left for many years in the bottom of the jewel-case undisturbed, now is the time to bring it forth and wear it.

terial, subtly conceived lines, and arresting colour, the combination possible only to the originator. It seems to have been conceived with out effort, but it is a masterpiece. Simplicity is beauty, but subtle, sophisticated simplicity is elegance. Flat furs, as supple as fabrics, among them Persian lamp, broad-tail and caracul—you may spell it with a "k"—if you prefer, lend elegance to velvet and broadcloth. If discreetly applied, a collar of lace or some lingerie material has the same effect, and thus effect is obtained. The elegant model has been termed a "single thought" dress, an apparently effortless creation, following basic principles, but possessed of individuality.

Lace Evening Gown.



Black had the same unimpeachable place it has held for so long and in chic for evening wear. This frock of great charm and distinction is of black chamois lace and rayon. The hemline is uneven and the décolletage is a wide and ruffling V.

Three Charming Paris Creations.



The latest decrees of the Paris dressmakers. Left, a pretty evening gown of white satin with the fashionable jagged hemline; centre, an afternoon frock and a "cocktail coat"; right, one of the new printed velvets for afternoon wear.

Subtle colours make for elegance, and subtle colour or fabric combinations, the same. Ombre and composite effects are factors—black, white and gray is lovelier than black and white, because the effect

is subtly conceived, likewise, it is different. And the new over-tones, skilful blending of colours to create effect, add their bit to the general rule of restraint and beauty combined, which is again elegance.

Take the simplest sort of a "model" and attempt to analyse it. The effect is one of richness and sophisticated simplicity, yet it may be a composite of a beautiful ma-

Luxurious Fur Wrap.



This unusual squirrel wrap by Max is designed for the discriminating lady. The light and dark skins are very cleverly arranged, while the circular cape and attractive border lend a certain charm to the wrap.

OUR HOMESIDE PICTURE SERVICE.



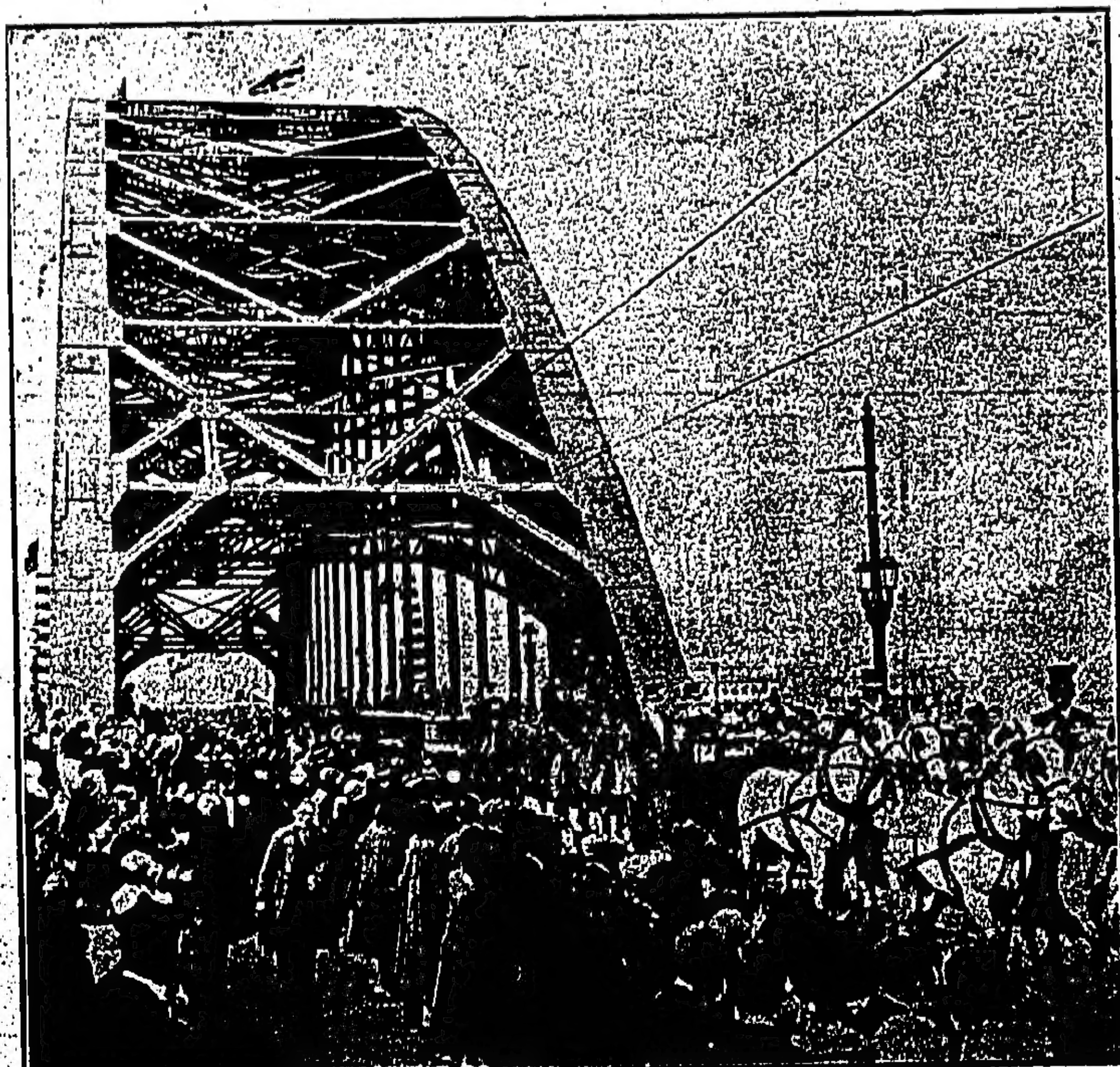
POPULARITY OF OUTDOOR SPORT FOR WOMEN.—This was well proved by the large number of competitors at the opening of the Middlesex Ladies' cross country season at Perivale. Note the activity displayed as the ladies negotiate an obstacle during their opening spin.—(Sport and General).



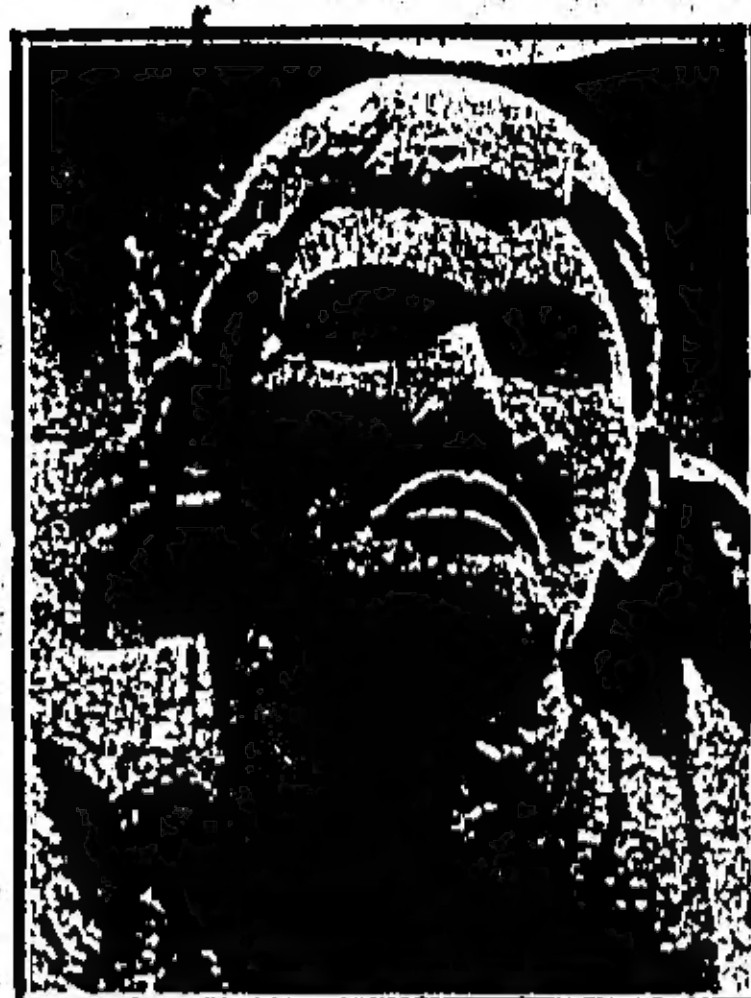
CLAPTON ORIENT v. BLACKPOOL, AT HOMERTON, LONDON.—Blackpool won by 4-2. A Blackpool player makes a fine jump and gets the ball from a Clapton Orient man.—(Sport and General).



HUNTING PEER'S 92ND BIRTHDAY.—Opening meet of Lord North's basset hounds at Wroxton Abbey. Lord North is supported by his daughter, the Hon. Mrs. Fitzgerald.—(Sport and General).



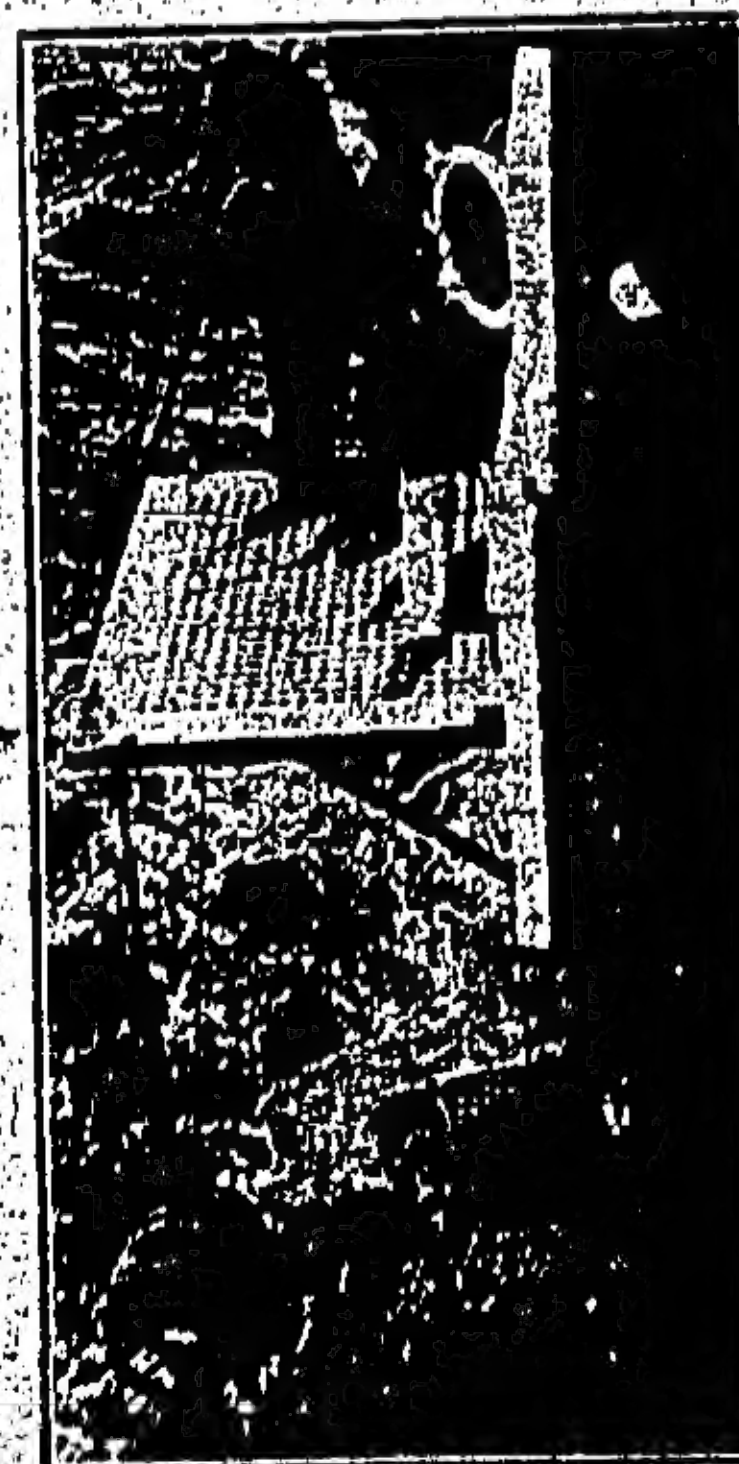
ROYAL VISIT TO NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.—Their Majesties received a great ovation at the opening of the magnificent Tyne Bridge, a high-level road bridge connecting Gateshead and Newcastle. This bridge is a fine piece of British workmanship and consists of a single span 681 ft. long. It is the largest steel arch built in Britain wide enough for tramways and four lines of traffic. Photo shows their Majesties driving over.—(Sport and General).



SCULPTURED HEAD.—Of the President of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, Dr. P. S. Allen. After considerable comment, the mortar board and spectacles were removed, leaving the bared head.—(Sport and General).



TITLED LADY IN LONDON LAUNDRIES.—Lady Roberta Ossulston, the wife of Lord Ossulston, heir to the Earldom of Tankerville, who is now the active director of a chain of laundries in London. Her husband acts as her business manager.



DROPPING THE BARREL for the Cocos Isles in the Bay of Bengal.—Ships travelling between Ceylon and Australia are accustomed to drop a barrel overboard containing books, cigarettes and other small articles of luxury for the benefit of the white inhabitants connected with the wireless station, etc., on the Cocos Isles. The barrel is picked up by a couple of small sailing boats and towed ashore.—(Sport and General).



WOMEN JOCKEYS.—The finish of the Newmarket Town Plate, won by Miss Rickaby from Mrs. Heald. This is the fourth time that Miss Rickaby has ridden in the race and the second time that she has won. After a dispute, her victory was confirmed.—(Sport and General).



AT THE SURREY AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION'S ploughing match and show at Bradley farm, Dorking, Surrey, Oct. 3. Over \$170 in prizes and eight challenge cups were competed for. A country scene that is typically English. John Sanders competing in the Champion Ploughing Class. (He has previously won the Championship Cup).—(Sport and General).



ARISTOCRAT OF THE DOG WORLD.—At the big show, organised by the Kennel Club at the Crystal Palace. Here is one of the foreign dog exhibits, the only German dog in the show, "Doberman Pinscher," seen with Mrs. A. E. Mann, better known as Elizabeth Craig, the well-known writer.—(Sport and General).



QUEEN'S SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.—Opening of the Dutch States General by H.M. Queen Wilhelmina, in the presence of H.R.H. Prince Hendrik, her Royal Consort, and the Princess Juliana, their daughter. The Queen is shown reading her speech from the throne.



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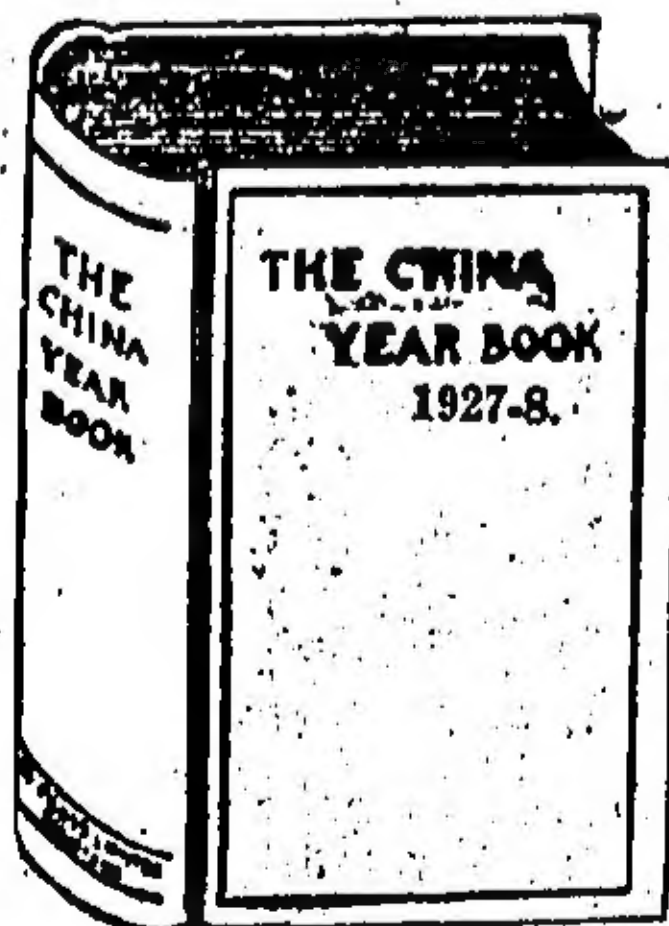
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THE SUBJECT.

WELL, THEY ARE MAO
FOR SURE AND I'M
TICKLED PINK
ARCHIE WILL
NOW SETTLE
DOWN TO WORK.

THANK GOOD-
NESS- THIS
OFFICE WILL
NOT BE A
LOVE NEST
FROM NOW
ON.

?

WHAT'S ALL THAT
TRASH ON YOUR
DESK?

ROSIE SENT
MY PRESENTS
BACK.

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Bringing Up Father

HELLO- IS THIS THE USELESS
EMPLOYMENT AGENCY? WHEN
ARE YOU GOING TO SEND UP
THAT VALET FOR MR. JIGGS?
I SPOKE TO
YOU ABOUT?

WELL- THAT
MEANS I'M GOIN'
TO HAVE A BODY-
GUARD- I BETTER
SNEAK OUT
BEFORE HE
GETS HERE.

THIS IS THE
VALET- I'VE
EMPLOYED
TO LOOK
AFTER YOU.

OF ALL THE
PEOPLE IN THE
WORLD
WHY DID
YOU PICK
HIM?

I'M GOING OUT- JENKINS-
SEE THAT MR. JIGGS GETS
LOTS OF ATTENTION.

IF THIS GUY
WASN'T HERE
I'D BE THE
DUMBEST
PERSON IN
THE ROOM.

NOW'S MY
CHANCE TO
MAKE A
GET-A-
WAY.

I'LL GET YOUR
DRESS SHIRT
READY FOR
DINNER- SIR!

THAT SHIRT IS
GONNA HAVE A
LONG WAIT
BEFORE I GET
IN IT.

VERY
GOOD-
MUM!

OH- MR-
JIGGS!

MR.
JIGGS-

I THINK HE'S
GAININ' ON ME.

AH! I'M SAFE-
NOW FOR
DINTY'S-

PARDON, SIR- BUT
WHAT TIME WILL
YOU DESIRE
DINNER?

BY JOVE!
HE DIDN'T
ANSWER MY
QUESTION!

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OUR WEEKLY SERMON

"China Mail" Rakes the Globe For Messages

VI.—IS GOD IN YOUR HOME?

[By the Rev. J. Bruce Gardiner, (St. George's Presbyterian Church, Johannesburg).]

(Text: "And his return was to Ramah; for there was his house, and there he judged Israel; and there he built an altar unto the Lord." (1st Samuel vii., 17).)

In these words we have set before us, in what we to-day might call a "snapshot," a remarkably vivid and comprehensive picture. Samuel is one of the great characters of Old Testament history, a man who was the leader of his people in matters both civil and religious. He was minister of religion as well as magistrate. To him, indeed, these were two sides of the same thing. He was the servant of God, true and only King of Israel, whose Sovereignty extended over the whole of life, and Samuel's business was to interpret the will of God to his people, and to apply that will as law, in all circumstances.

Periodically he went on circuit, making long journeys either on foot, or on a trusty mule. At various centres he met his people, held *adabos* with head men, listened to and gave judgment in cases of difficulty. And when evening came he would gather the people round their simple altar, and make on their behalf a suitable offering. Guided by this man of God, the prayers of the people were set forth before the Almighty as incense, and the lifting up of the hands like the evening sacrifice. Our "snapshot" represents the judge as he returns from one of these journeys and approaches Ramah, where he had his house; the place which was at once his base and his home.

In all ages and in all lands, men can understand this picture; the worker and the wanderer returning home. Duty calls him away for longer or shorter periods. He has no choice. Thus he makes his living. But there comes a point at the end of the day, or of the week, when with a sigh of deep satisfaction he turns his footsteps homewards, drawn by that door beyond which

Love and Understanding await him, where he can reach a haven of rest. This is one touch of nature which makes the whole world kin.

It may seem a far cry from ancient Israel to the Scotland of Robert Burns, but Burns has caught and enshrined this same situation. He describes not indeed a judge, but a peasant, his immortal cotter, who at the end of the week's work returns to his Ramah:—

"At length his lonely cot appears in view,
Beneath the shelter of an aged tree....

His clean hearth-stone, his thrifty wife's smile,
Does a' his weary caigh and care beguile,
And makes him quite forget his labour and his toil...."

The external circumstances differ widely, but in all that is essential the two pictures are the same. In the heart of man there is a deep and unquenchable desire for a spot on earth which

He Can Call Home.

The world without makes claims upon him. He must fare forth, but he is never content unless he can establish for himself this spot on the earth which is his Ramah, towards which he can turn when the day or the journey is done, and in which he hopes to find rest, not only for body, but for mind and spirit; heart's ease, sanctuary.

It is a fatal weakness in any civilisation if it places obstacles in the way of those who, in their hearts, want to make homes. It is one of the most gratifying features of the life of our city that, in spite of obstacles, beautiful, and happy homes are springing up on every hand.

The homing instinct is strong in the heart of man. It is one of my pet theories that the chief value of holidays is that when we have been away from home for a time we return with a new sense of satisfaction. It is good for us all, no doubt, to get a change of scene. It relaxes nervous strain, and gives the body time to recuperate. But its principal value is to quicken again appreciation of our Ramah, where our house is, and our work, and—Home.

Home, then, is the

True Centre of Life

From it we fare forth refreshed and heartened for the work which we are called to do in the world. There are some people who seem to think that work is not a blessing, but a curse, a grim necessity to be avoided if possible. The only

real curse is to be willing to work, and not to be able to get employment. Work is the balance-wheel of life, a priceless moral tonic. Half the mischief in the world springs from idleness. This is one subject on which Christ has pronounced judgment, not in words, but in deeds. Since the Son of Man took tool in hand, and, as the Carpenter of Nazareth, "made common things for God," work has been invested with both dignity and sanctity. He is not likely to have much time for the idle.

Home and work, then, are two notes in life's harmony. The third is Worship. Samuel was a Priest of God, and a director of public worship, but in his own home there was an altar, what used to be called a Family Altar. Here we have something set before us in the picture without which a home is ever incomplete, without which the homing instinct is crippled, cabinied, confined. The instinct is implanted by that Father above, of whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. Alas! many do not realise that if a home is to be complete it must be equipped with an altar, a living link between the home below, and the Home above. Burns, with the instinct to genius, saw this. When he takes his cotter home, he is not content with the kindly glow of the hearth, the natural affection between parent and children, the joy of the meal which gathers them round the table. What crowns and completes this picture is: "The priest-like father...." taking the Book, selecting a portion with judicious care, and saying, with solemn air, "Let us worship God!" As that

Priest-Like Father kneels to Heaven's Eternal King, there is no visible altar, but the humble cottage is consecrated by that act to be a true Sanctuary of God. He is truly present Who desires that His people should worship Him in spirit and in truth. Think! you who love your homes, young men and maidens who are looking forward to homes of your own, a home on earth is an embodiment in some measure of: That which has its pattern in Heaven. That is why you ask God's blessing on your marriage. It is meet that it should be so. Only it is strange indeed that, having sought that blessing, you should close the door on God when you enter your home. "There was his home, there was built an altar unto the Lord." That is necessary to make the happiness and the harmony of the home complete.

Two simple reflections spring out of this meditation.

1. *The Homing Instinct points beyond this present life:* We know well that we cannot live here for ever; yet there are many who act precisely as if we did. They give time, attention, diligence, to making their earthly home as beautiful, as complete as they can. That is all right; only they refuse to look a hair's-breadth beyond. When death does break in they accept it with a kind of blank fatalism. "Isn't it sad," they say, "that he should have to leave it all when he had got it to his mind?" Or, they get as far as the moving sentiment in Robert Louis Stevenson's verses:—

"Home is the sailor, home from the sea,
And the hunter home from the hill."

They are captured by the beauty of this, and do not realise how hopeless it is and, from the Christian point of view, how profoundly untrue. The grave is not our home. The Hebrew poet gets near the truth when he sings, "Lord, Thou has been our Home in all generations." And the Son of the Father revealed the truth when He said: "In my Father's house are many mansions." Oh! if men would but listen to the instinct which the Father has quickened in their hearts. Only in the Home above can that instinct find satisfaction.

2. *It is the Father's desire to draw us all home to Himself.* He sent His Son to reach, to woo, to win us, to capture our affections, to direct the heart's instinct to its true and splendid goal. As the human heart desires and seeks that door on earth which leads to rest, peace, sanctuary, Home; so, if we probe deep enough, we reach a desire which can only be met by Him who says: "I am the Door; by Me if any man enter, in He shall be saved."

Those who, like the sisters in Bethany, provide a place for the Christ of God in the home on earth, will find at last that, through Him, they have entrance to the Father's house, of many mansions, the house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

LATEST FROM PARIS

UNUSUAL FILM COMING TO QUEEN'S

NORMA SHEARER

Beautiful Norma Shearer will be seen as the leading player in a new and fascinating film "The Latest From Paris" which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue.

In "The Latest From Paris," Miss Shearer has the role of a travelling saleswoman who hides her real identity and who beats her male rivals to all the big orders from shop owners. The leader of a conspiracy against her makes an effective role for Ralph Forbes, who only learns the star's identity after he has revealed the existence and details of the plot. The picture was directed by Sam Wood from an original and clever screen play by A. P. Younger, scenarist of "Twelve Miles Out," "Slide, Kelly, Slide," "Brown of Harvard," and other successful films. The supporting cast includes, George Sidney, Tenen Holtz, Bart Roach, Margaret Landis, William Bakewell and others.

IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

Archdeacon Swindell and Mrs. Swindell returned to Singapore from Java by the "Tjerimal."

Mr. H. Fitzmaurice, M.B.E., British Consul at Medan, returned to his post on November 1.

Mr. A. F. Sheedy, Chief Inspector Police Dept., S.S., has been seconded for service under the Government of Kedah.

Mr. Ueda, director of Asiatic Affairs in the Japanese Foreign Office, has arrived in Shanghai by the N.Y.K.S. "Shanghai Maru."

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has secured a place in Route de Say Zong as its Shanghai office of which Chev. S. K. Chen is in charge.

The Hon. Mr. H. Fairburn has been reappointed an official member of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements for a further period of three years.

An unknown Chinese was found shot dead on a vacant piece of land off Yuen Road recently. The matter has been taken in hand by the police, who are making inquiries.

At a meeting of the Committee of Management of the Mercantile Co-operative Thrift and Loan Society, Kuala Lumpur, Mr. Leon Hope was elected Chairman, Mr. C. Lee Valentine Honorary Secretary and Mr. R. H. Bing Loans Member.

Word has been received in Peking that Mr. and Mrs. Matti, of the Wagon Lits Hotel, Peking, who have been on a six months' holiday in Europe, were expected to reach Shanghai recently and to proceed to Peking.

Messrs. C. F. Gomes & Co., of 137, Heeren-street, Malacca, have been appointed secretaries to the Ayer Molek Rubber Co., Ltd., United Malacca Rubber Estates Ltd., Bukit Katil Rubber Estates Ltd., and Bukit Jelotong Rubber Estates Ltd., in place of Messrs. Chan Sze Onn & Co., resigned.

The Hon. Mr. H. W. Thomson, C.M.G., British Resident, Perak, left Kuala Lumpur for Ipoh, where he attended the Inter-State rugby match, which was to be followed by a farewell dinner and dance. He subsequently visited Kuala Kangsar and was the guest of H.H. the Sultan of Perak at Ipoh.

News has been received from Sydney of the death of Mrs. Nellie Macdonald, daughter of Mrs. Harman-Love, of the well-known Harman-Love Circus. The first married Stan Bennett, the jockey, who rode in Malaya for many years, and who died in Calcutta. Later she married Jack Macdonald, of Sydney.

The sentence of 10 years recently imposed, upon P. A. Volzhovitch, youthful Russian seaman, for the murder of the Russian boatswain of an A. P. C. vessel in Shanghai, was reduced to five years after the charge had been altered, with the consent of the police, to one of manslaughter, in the Provisional Court, Shanghai.

A large number of members and guests were present at the Kuala Lumpur Rotary Club's monthly dinner at "Read Lodge," Damansara-road, when Mr. C. Ward-Jackson gave a most interesting discourse concerning Mr. George Bernard Shaw. Mr. A. E. Caldwell, C.B.E., the President, was in the chair, and the Hon. Mr. Thomson, C.M.G., was the chief guest. After the loyal toasts had been honoured, Mr. Loke Chow Thye proposed "The Guests" in a very humorous speech, to which Mr. Thomson replied.

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COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "Drums of Love."
To-day — World Theatre; "The Black Pirate."
To-day — Star Theatre; "A Little Journey."
To-day — Star Theatre; Jack Carter and his "Serenaders," 9.15 p.m.
Nov. 11 — Queen's Theatre; "Firemen Save My Child."
Nov. 11 — World Theatre; "In Old Kentucky."
Nov. 11 — Star Theatre; "The Campus Flirt."
Nov. 16, 20, 24 — Theatre Royal; Hong Kong A.D.C. presents "The Sport of Kings."
Nov. 22 — Star Theatre; "The Sport of Kings."

Land Sales
Nov. 18 — At P.W.D. offices, three lots of Crown land at Shamshuipo and Kowloon, 3 p.m.
Lammer's Auctions
Nov. 13 — At Sales Room, a valuable collection of curios, 2.30 p.m. Sports

To-day — Hong Kong Jockey Club's Seventh extra race meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.
To-day — R.H.K.Y.C.'s opening Regatta, 3 p.m.

November 12 — Poppy Day exhibition match for charities, at H.K.F.C.'s ground, Happy Valley, 4 p.m.
Nov. 13 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 1st XI v. 2nd XI, 5 p.m.

Nov. 14 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "C" v. "D", 6.15 p.m.
Nov. 15 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI v. Club de Recreio, 5 p.m.
Nov. 15 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Bridge Drive, Ticket \$1.00, 9 p.m.
Nov. 16 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "A" v. "B", 6.15 p.m.

Nov. 20 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 1st XI v. H.K.S.R.A., 5 p.m.
Nov. 21 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "B" v. "D", 6.15 p.m.
Nov. 22 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "A" v. "C", 6.15 p.m.

Nov. 23 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI v. H.K. Club "A", 5 p.m.
Nov. 24 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Tennis, American Tournament, 2.30 p.m.
Nov. 27 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 1st XI v. Club de Recreio, 5 p.m.

Nov. 28 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "B" v. "C", 6.15 p.m.
Nov. 29 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI v. K.O.S.B., 5 p.m.
Nov. 30 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "A" v. "D", 6.15 p.m.

Miscellaneous
To-day — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Ramble to Shing Mun Valley, Ladies Invited, 2.30 p.m.
To-day — Club de Recreio bowls "At Home," 3 p.m.

To-day — St. Francis Hotel Carnival Dinner Dances
To-day — Armistice Dinner Dance at Lane, Crawford's
Nov. 11 — Lecture at St. John's Hall, Bouham Road, by Dr. David Z. T. Yul, M.A. Litt.D., 4.45 p.m.

Nov. 11 — Cenotaph Ceremony 10.55 a.m. and Street Sale of Poppies
Nov. 11 — Armistice Day, Quiet Hour, Rev. J. H. Johnstone, 9 p.m.
November 11 — Special tiffin with

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November 11 — Unveiling of Memorial for Pte. F. M. Soares, in King's Park, noon.

Nov. 12 — Lecture on "Art," by R. H. V. Koop, at St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club, 8.15 p.m.

Nov. 14 — Dr. M. O. Foster will read a paper on local anaesthesia before H.K. University Medical Society, 5.15 p.m.

November 17 — H.K.W.C. & M.C.L.'s "Fun of the Fair" at Lee Gardens.

Nov. 18 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Quiet Hour, Rev. H. V. Koop, 9 p.m.

Nov. 22 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Debate on the Instalment System, Ladies invited, 9 p.m.

Nov. 25 — H.K.Y.M.C.A. Quiet Hour, Mr. S. V. Boxer, 9 p.m.

December 14 — Hong Kong Automobile Association's annual dinner dance, at Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

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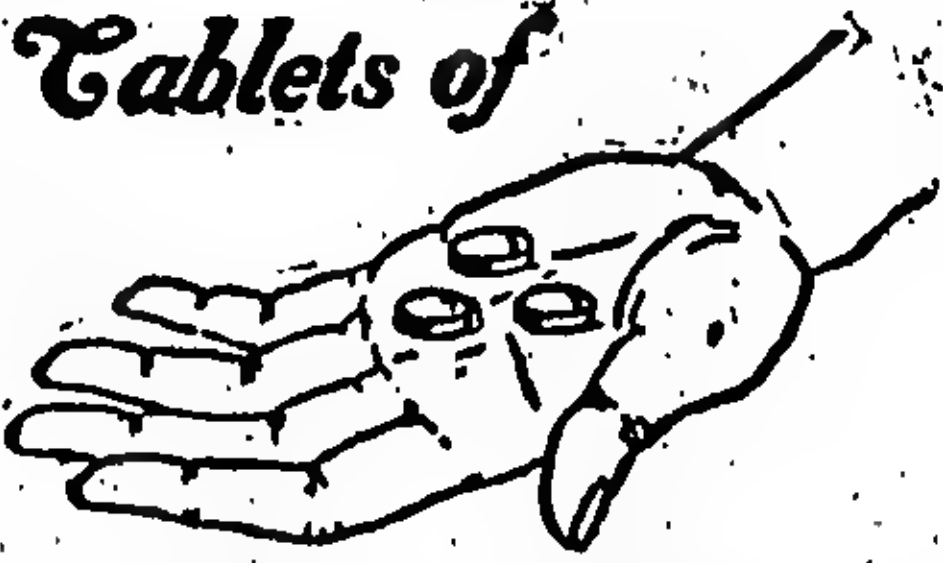
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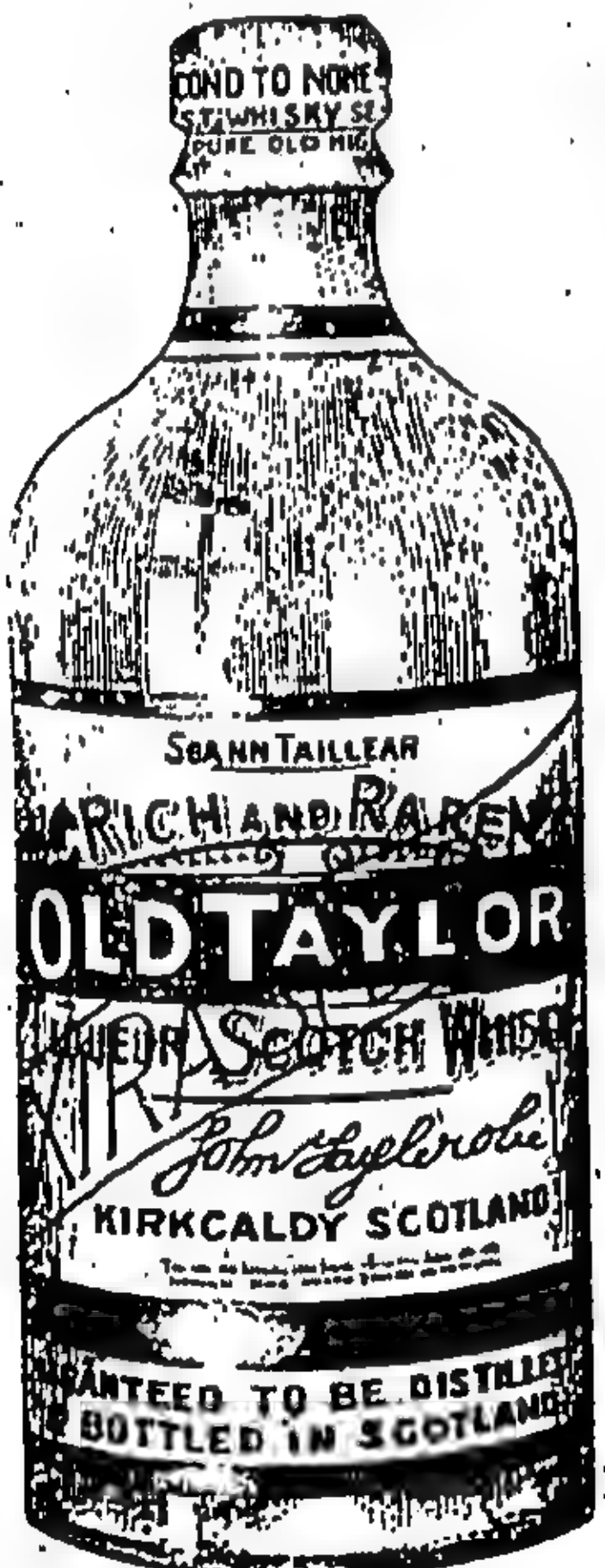
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NEW LORD MAYOR

SIR KYNASTON STUDD'S
POPULAR ELECTION.

STRANGE SCENE

Alderman Sir Kynaston Studd has been chosen as Lord Mayor of London in succession to Sir Charles Batho for the civic year beginning on November 9. The election took place in Guildhall. The proceedings were not of the formal character usual on such occasions. Unlike most of his predecessors, Sir Kynaston Studd has not spent a lifetime in the City. It was not until 1921 that he took part in civic affairs, and to have reached the position of Chief Magistrate in seven years is a unique achievement.

In an interview, the Lord Mayor-elect said: "Although I might be described as a novice in City affairs, I have become deeply imbued with the history of the City. I shall endeavour during my year of office to uphold the best traditions of eight centuries of Mayoralty."

Describing how he came to take part in civic affairs, the Lord Mayor-elect said that a friend who had been connected with the Regent-street Polytechnic (of which Sir Kynaston is head) became Master of the Fruiterers' Company, and invited him to join the Livery. This he did, and quickly became interested in everything relating to the City.

When he was invited to stand as Sheriff in 1921 his friends said that he had no chance, but thanks to the many "Poly" men in the City, to his Masonic friends, and those who knew him as a cricketer, he was elected. "As there was no Aldermanic Sheriff that year, and as that year had thus been lost for the qualifying of an Alderman for the Mayoralty," Sir Kynaston explained, "I felt it my duty to seek election as Alderman, and I was returned in succession to Sir William Waterlow at Farringdon Without."

Cricket Entertainments
Sir Kynaston has no fixed intentions regarding his year of office beyond the ordinary routine as the official dispenser of the City's hospitality, but as the first cricket "Blue" to occupy the Mansion House, he intends to arrange some sort of cricket entertainments during the year. He is the second Old Etonian to be Lord Mayor, and another idea he has in mind is the arranging of Old Etonian gatherings at the Mansion House. During the coming civic year the City will have a Russian Princess as Lady Mayoress, for Lady Studd was formerly Princess Alexandra Lieven.

The Recorder (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.) opened the proceedings in the Guildhall, and explained to the

Livermen their right of selection. There were three eligible Aldermen before the Livery—Sir Harold Moore, Sir Kynaston Studd, and Sir Stephen Killik. Sir Harold Moore withdrew his name last year, and sought to do the same this year, but was not permitted to do so, the Common Sergeant (Sir Henry Dickens, K.C.) explaining that it was the rule that every eligible Alderman must offer himself for election or resign his Aldermanic gown.

Before the names were put, Mr. M. Roper Barrett, a member of the Court of Common Council, put some questions to Sir Harold to ascertain whether he had been asked to withdraw in favour of another candidate or whether he had been asked to resign by the Court of Aldermen. To all the questions Sir Harold replied in the negative.

Sir H. Moore's Position

Called upon to make a statement, Sir Harold explained that he had desired to withdraw from "purely personal reasons," but indicated that if he were elected he would serve as Lord Mayor.

The Common Sergeant then called out the names of the candidates. When Sir Harold Moore's name was mentioned there were cries of "Never!" That of Sir Kynaston Studd was greeted with shouts of "All," and that of Sir Stephen Killik with "Next year."

The candidates then adjourned to the Court of Aldermen, where Sir

EMPTY CRADLES

WHAT SIGNOR MUSSOLINI
LAMENTED.

FALLING BIRTH RATE

Rome.—Signor Mussolini, in a newspaper article, again expresses alarm at the falling birth-rate not only in Italy, but also in Europe generally. He says:

The phenomenon is common to the whole of Europe. The city exercises a fatal force of attraction, drawing the rural population to it, but as soon as the rural population reaches the city it becomes sterile. Cities therefore grow, but nations become depopulated. This in turn leads to the death of the cities themselves and the ruin of nations.

As an example Signor Mussolini cites England, where, he says, the "back to the land" movement is proof of how deeply the dangers of depopulation are felt. He adds: London grows, but the English countryside is becoming deserted. It is known that England's birth-rate has fallen below France's, and Germany's is now the lowest in Europe.

[England's rate last year was 16.6, and that of France 18.1.]

Plight of Italian Cities

In Italy, he shows, the situation of the cities is disastrous. In

Aeroplane Crash.



Here are the remains of a mail aeroplane which crashed, while attempting to land in a storm. Seven persons were killed.

Kynaston was finally selected. The appearance of Sir Kynaston with the Lord Mayor as the procession returned to the Common Hall—indicating without words the Aldermanic selection—was heralded by loud applause from the Livermen. Sir Harold Moore did not return with the other members of the Court of Aldermen to hear the announcement.

In returning thanks for his election, the Lord Mayor-elect said that Sir Harold had acted entirely on his own initiative, and had never been asked or even received a hint from him (Sir Kynaston) to withdraw his name. "Whatever decision the Livery might have made it would have been for me, final and satisfactory. The more 'veteran' a sportsman is, the less is he inclined to question the umpire."

Five Schools in Singapore, having been used for political propaganda detrimental to the interests of the Colony or of the public, have been declared unlawful schools. They are the Hap Sing, Hin Jia, Lok Tin and Lok Seng Night Schools. The Hap Sing and Lok Seng Schools are declared to have also been used as meeting places for unlawful societies.

Notice was given in the "London Gazette" of the payment of a fourth and final dividend of 1s. 10d. in the £ in connection with the bankruptcy of Michael Beary, the jockey.

Bologna, for example, the yearly average excess of births over deaths in the last 55 years, has been only 48, while the city has doubled in population, drawing its people from the rural districts.

"The phenomenon has reached a tragic stage," he says. The cradles are empty and the cemeteries are growing."

There were symptoms, however, that the birth-rate in Italy was increasing again in consequence of his energetic measures. "If the campaign to increase the birth-rate is not successful," he concludes, "the Fascist revolution will have been in vain, because at a certain moment fields, schools, factories, barracks, and ships will be deserted."

Black and Yellow Peril
Signor Mussolini says in his article:

That which once happened can happen again and not merely between city and country, but on a greater scale. The white races of the West may be submerged by the coloured races, which multiply in a rhythm unknown to our peoples. Blacks and yellow are now at the gates, strengthened not alone with their fecundity, but also by their race consciousness and their dreams of the future.

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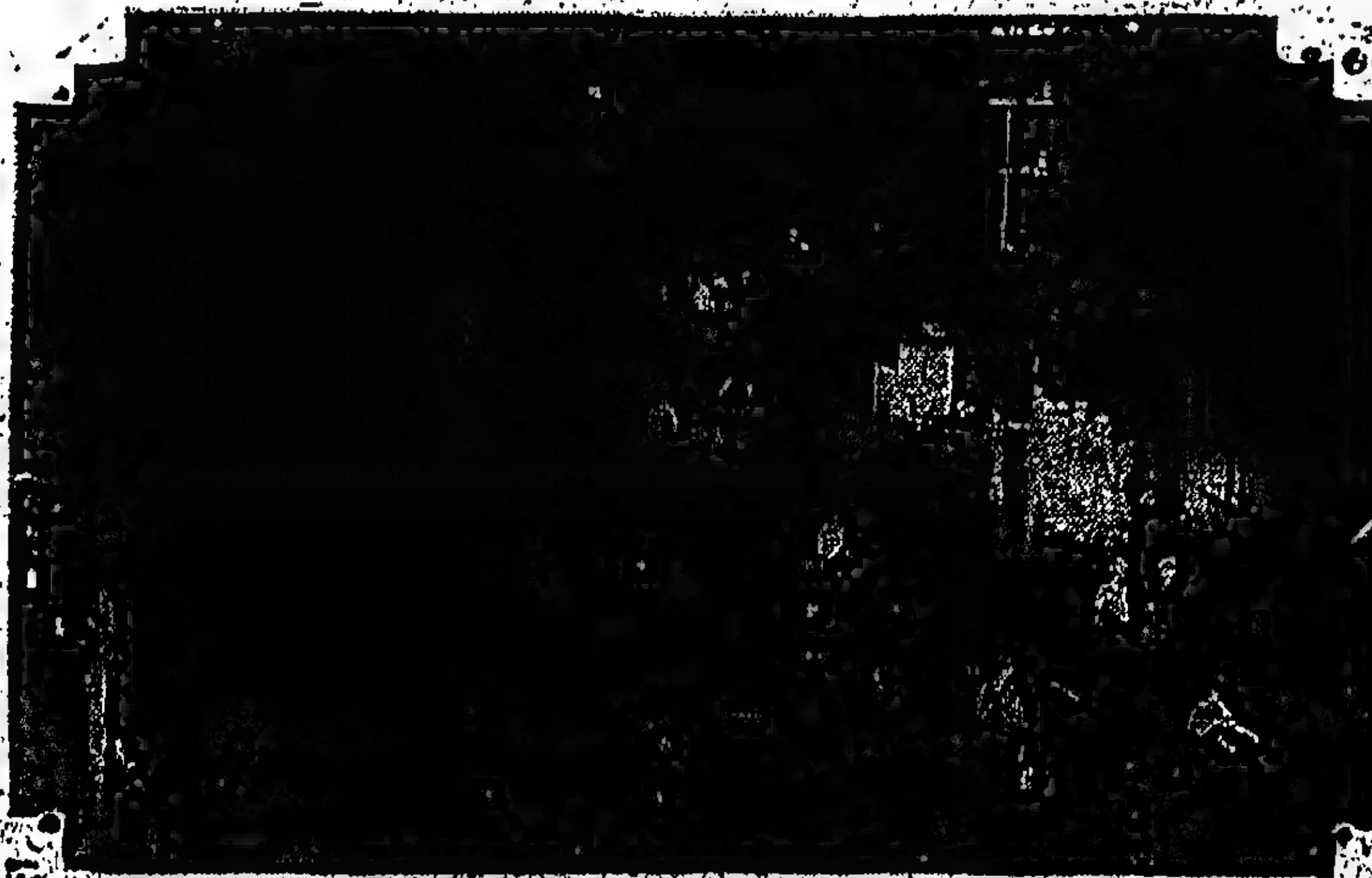
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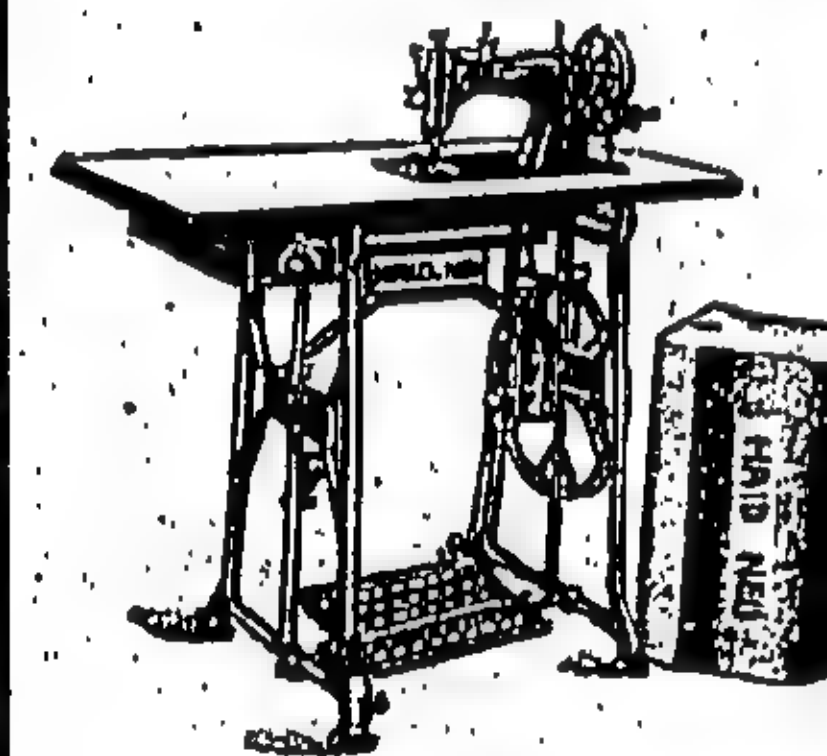
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[By Chau Kung]

After the disappointment of Saturday, October 27, the true breeze for the second championship event for racing yachts was greatly appreciated.

With several new owners in evidence, with new sails on several of the boats, it was anticipated that there might be some upset of form as shown in the last season and I think it may be said that there was. "Colleen" taking her "jib by the tack"—one can hardly say "bit between her teeth" of a boat—fairly ran away from the scratch boats of the Handicap Class and crossed the finishing line in the lead, thereby having no need to rely on her handicap, which for the course was over 6 minutes.

"Wings" Win

"Daphne," who last year won the Championship of the "I" and "G" class, could not get going properly and was never in the running against "Alisa" and "Haley" the two other "I" craft who had a great tussle. "Alisa" got the better of "Haley" by a narrow margin but had to lower her colours to "Thecla" by very nearly two minutes. "Thecla" has a fairly generous handicap but was well sailed throughout the afternoon.

"Wings," Y.2 of the Heyward-Hayes class, did none too well last year but she won in convincing style after having all the luck between Channel Rocks and Lyceum Beacon during the heat to the weather mark. "Boojum" was very badly served here—although to windward and apparently in a commanding position over "Wings" the latter had a "lane" of breeze which let her up from the leeward of "Boojum" passing under her stern not more than 25 yards clear and placed her to windward by about 50 yards and abreast—I would offer whatever consolation it may afford by reminding the helmsman of "Boojum" that "The wind bloweth where it listeth."

Going Home

Several boats were racing on Saturday which have not yet been sold but it is one of the rules of the club I believe that a boat carries the points which she has won in Championship racing, if she changes ownership during the series. The Yachts on the sale list are Handicap class "Dorothea," "Colleen" and "Argulla II" and in the "I" and "G" class "Alisa," "Thecla" and "Viking." There are however no boats offering in the Heyward-Hayes class.

Before the next notes appear the Club will have lost two very keen members in Col. H. B. Gunn, D.S.O. and Capt. E. H. Jacobs-Larkeon who go home on the Trooper on Tuesday next. All their "friends and foes" of the tiller will join in wishing them "fair winds" upon their further journeyings.

THE DAVIS CUP

London, Yesterday.
Britain has challenged for the Davis Cup.—Reuter.

Grip for Pitching.



Left: Batter, the veteran baseball player of New York Giants.
Upper inset, how he holds his fast ball; below, the grip for a curve.

IN THE RING

JOHNNY HILL AND THE WORLD'S TITLE

[By Eugene Corri.]

Maybe those of you who have seen Andre Routis fight will, like myself, be surprised that he has come to be feather-weight champion of the world by virtue of beating the Italian-American, Tony Canzoneri. We would, nevertheless, congratulate him upon high achievement, of course, but I still cannot see in him a wonder boxer. My rating of him is that he is just an uncompromising fighter, and that we have at last two feather-weights who, given the chance of meeting him, would beat him. Harry Corbett no doubt picked up his ears when news of the crowning of Routis came through from New York, for there was an occasion, if I remember aright, when Corbett exposed the Frenchman as a very indifferent boxer. And what does Dom Volante think about it all?

Much Money

This is the second time that France has had the feather-weight title won for her. You will perhaps remember that, some little time after Eugene Criqui beat Joe Fox, our then champion, at Holland Park, he made tracks for America, and did that which many other fighters had failed to do, which was to get Johnny Kilbane into the ring to defend the championship.

Criqui knocked out Kilbane, whose great days were then, no doubt, over. That was, however, a considerable feather in the cap of the Frenchman, and one would have thought he would have taken precious good care to hang on to the title for all he was worth.

There was much money to be had out of it. But, like a modern Quixote, Criqui, when asked "what about it?" expressed his readiness to get into the ring at once.

Quick Work

So up came Johnny Dundee, whom Kilbane had side-stepped for years, and there and then the Frenchman took one of the biggest hidings of his life. In a little more than a month he was champion, and ex-champion. I should think that he is the shortest-lived world-beater on record. After the experience of Criqui it is, to say the least, astonishing that Routis has given it out that, within a couple of months, he will be back in America to defend his kingdom.

If America has not got a more formidable, feather-weight than Routis, then she is not so well off for fighters of this particular class as we are.

It seems that Schwartz has definitely pledged himself to fight Emile Pladner for the fly-weight championship in Paris. All I can say is that Pladner is more than a trifle lucky to have such a match arranged for him. Incontestably Johnny Hill has proved himself to be the best little man in Europe. The records tell that Hill has twice beaten Pladner, and those who saw those contests have not the least doubt that the Scotsman won each fairly and squarely.

Hill and Pladner

It is true that Pladner ran Hill very close on the first occasion they met, but the second time Hill won by quite a handsome margin. And does not the fact that he beat Nowaboy Brown establish him as near to a world-beater? But Hill's big day will come, never

fear. They cannot keep him out of a fight for the title. Should Pladner beat Schwartz, Hill, of course, will concentrate on Paris. If the American is the conqueror, and decides to go back home at the earliest opportunity, it will be the business of Hill to make for the States.

No good purpose would be served by Hill making a trip to the States at present. It is said that Hill may have a fight with Pladner, but I think he would only be wise to accept the offer on the distinct understanding that, if he were the winner, Schwartz would meet him.

Jack Hood's Man

For the Albert Hall show on the 20th, Jack Hood is not to fight the former French policeman, known as Kid Nitram (his real name is Martin, and he was first seen in London in competitions between French and London policemen, before he took the mark against Tommy Milligan.) Nitram, so it is given out, has fallen ill, and Hood's opponent is to be Bruno Frattini, whom we in this country first encountered at Holland Park in an affair with Milligan for the European Championship.

Since then the Italian has done much travelling and maybe he has improved by his experiences abroad. But all the same I expect that Hood will be the winner. I do not

TO-DAY'S SOCCER

The following is the programme of the local football matches for to-day:

Division I. Kick off 4.15 p.m.
Athletic v. Queen's H.K.F.C. ground. Referee, Mr. J. W. Barber.

Kowloon F.C. v. Royal Navy, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee, Mr. F. Smith.
S. China v. Small Units, Caroline Hill. Referee, Pipe Major Mackie.

K.O.S.B. v. H.K.F.C., Sookumpoo ground. Referee, Bismstr. Kerslake.

Division II. Kick off 2.45 p.m.
Queen's v. S. China "B" ground. Referee, Sgt. Chatham-road. Referee, Sgt. Toms.

S. China "A" v. Reclero, Caroline Hill. Referee, Mr. Samy.

Athletic v. St. Joseph's H.K.F.C. ground. Referee, Pte. Lamb.

R.A.F. v. Kowloon, King's Park. Referee, L/Cpl. Grievs.
K.O.S.B. v. Navy, Sookumpoo. Referee, Pte. Farnsworth.
Small Units v. University, Navy ground. Referee, Sgt. Clarke.

I think I overstep the mark when I declare that, whether as welter or middle-weight, Hood would be much fancied against any man in Europe.

If Ireland were so disposed, Hood would jump at the chance of getting in the ring with him. But whether Hood is wise in his readiness to fight either at the welter or middle-weight limit may be doubted. There is something to be said in favour of his coquetting with men of both weights, for as things are he must chance his arm if he is to get the work he desires at home. After his affair with Frattini, perhaps Hood will make another visit to America. Either that or an effort may be made on his behalf to get a match with the winner of the bout between Len Harvey and Johnny Sullivan, which is due to be staged at the N.S.C. on the last Monday of the month.

The impending fight between Sullivan and Harvey—who, by the way, made short work of his bout with the Frenchman, Lengagne, at the beginning of the week—is arousing the liveliest interest. It should fill the Club, if only because of the remembrance that, when the two had a fight some time ago, there was a decided disagreement with the ruling of the referee, who held that Sullivan was the winner. In the meantime, we are to have at headquarters a fifteen rounder, at 9 st. 15 lb. between Billy Jones of Barnsley, and Jack Hyams, of Stepney, and a continuance of a competition for light-weights, and we are to see the Scottish boxer, McCall, against Orlando Leopardo, the Italian.

A Coming Hope

The Scots are hoping that London folk will share their opinion that McCall is a sure champion of the near future. I have heard only the highest accounts of McCall. I shall take the opportunity of running the rule over him, and give my opinion of his possibilities. Dave Forbes, also a Scot, is to take the ring against Marine Smith, the hard-hitting fellow of Chatham, and preceding the bout between Sullivan and Harvey, Billy Evans will encounter the French feather-weight, Dicca.

The season at Covent Garden had a quiet beginning. We were to have seen Kid Nicholson in a contest with a young Londoner, named Billy Boulger, but he had to cry off owing to indisposition. Boulger's opponent was Billy Housego. It was far from being an inspiring fight. Boulger, after all the good things I had heard about him, was disappointing. He won, but that was about all.—"Sports Despatch."

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Arne Borg, Swedish world's champion swimmer, clipped 36 seconds from the 1,000 yards world record at the Shanghai Foreign Y.M.C.A. pool by negotiating the distance in the time of 12 minutes, 22 1/2 seconds. The former record of 12 minutes, 58 2/5 seconds, was held by Norman Ross of the United States.

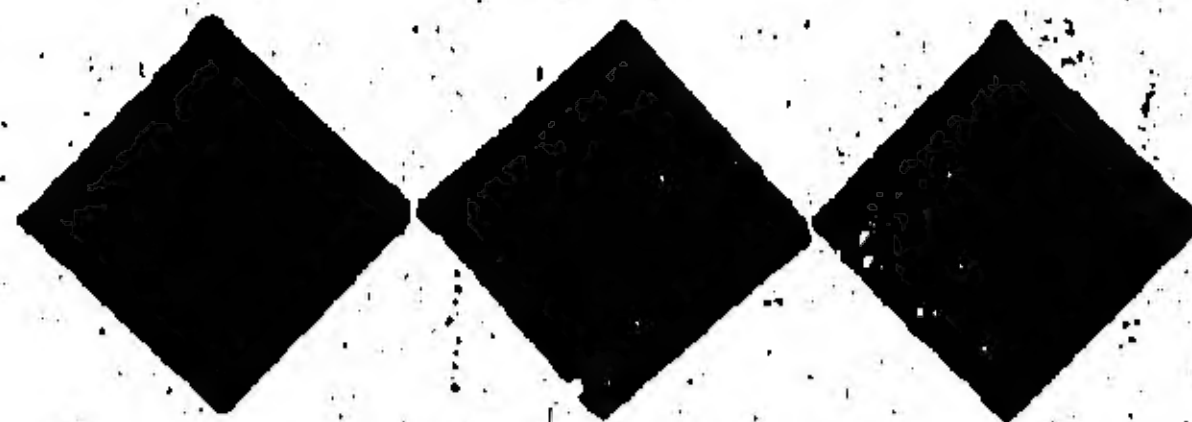
Dr. Marett, the anthropologist, has been elected Rector of Exeter College, Oxford, in succession to Dr. Farnell, who resigned.

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Joe Rick, captain of the University of Michigan football team.

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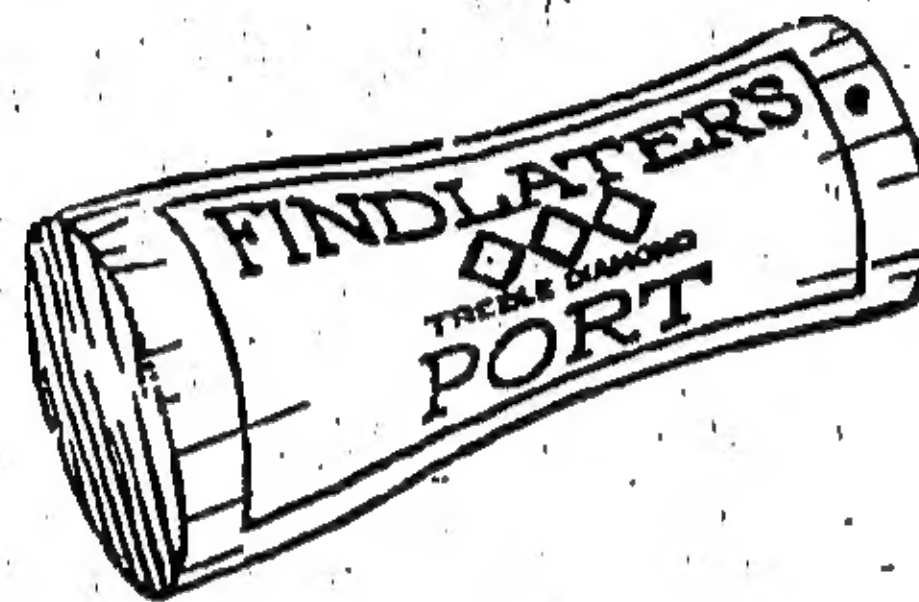
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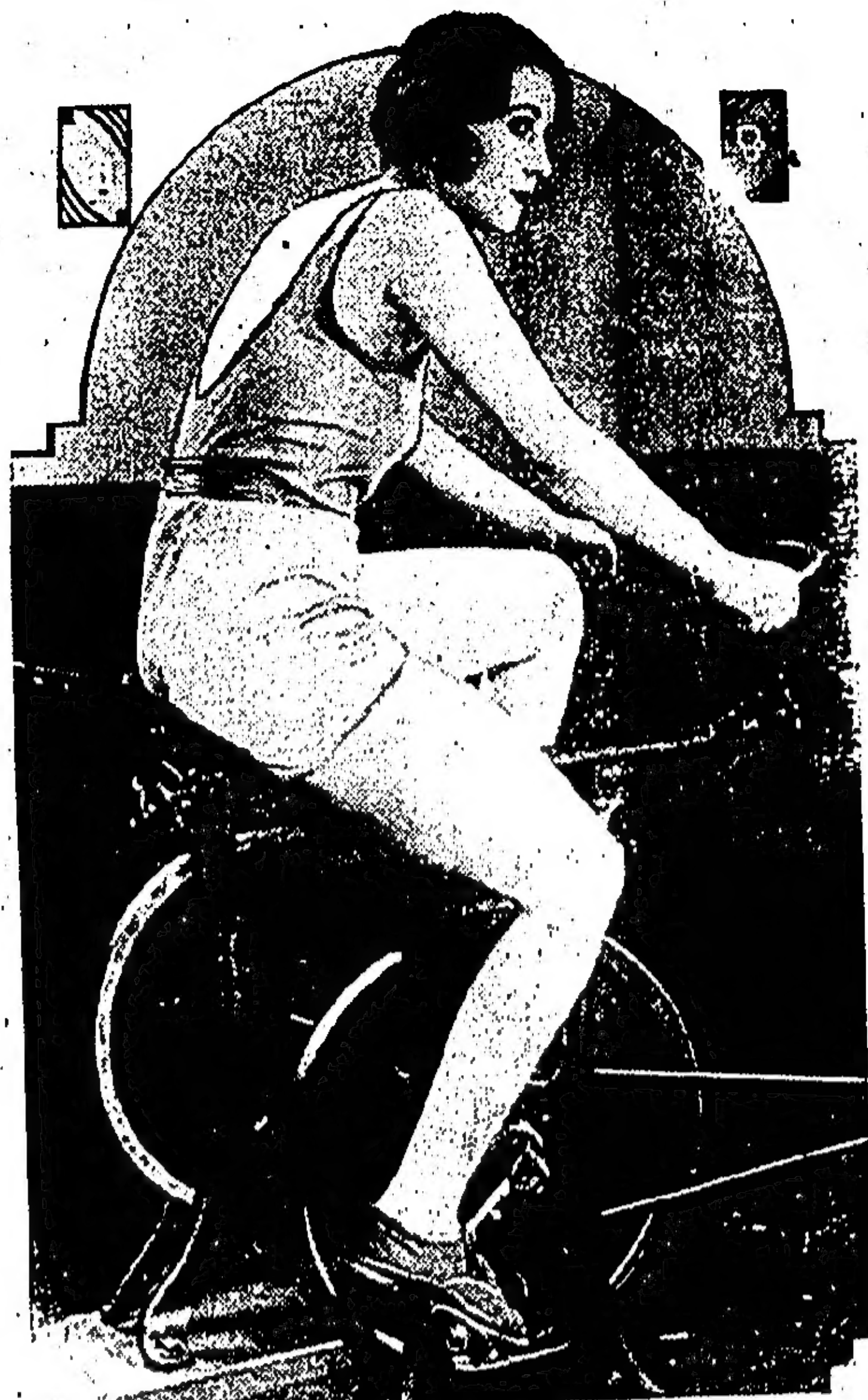
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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Healthiest Show-girl.



Miss Elsie Connor, who was chosen as Broadway's healthiest show-girl, is here seen riding the stationary bicycle on which she takes much of her exercise. In addition to this she boxes, wrestles and swims daily.

Winner of G\$10,000 Race.



Miss Ethel Hertle, a New York girl, who won the Wrigley 10-miles marathon swim at Toronto in 5 hours, 34 minutes 40 seconds, beating such sterling performers as Gertrude Ederle and Mrs. Corson, both of whom swam the English Channel.

Helen Wills' Costume.



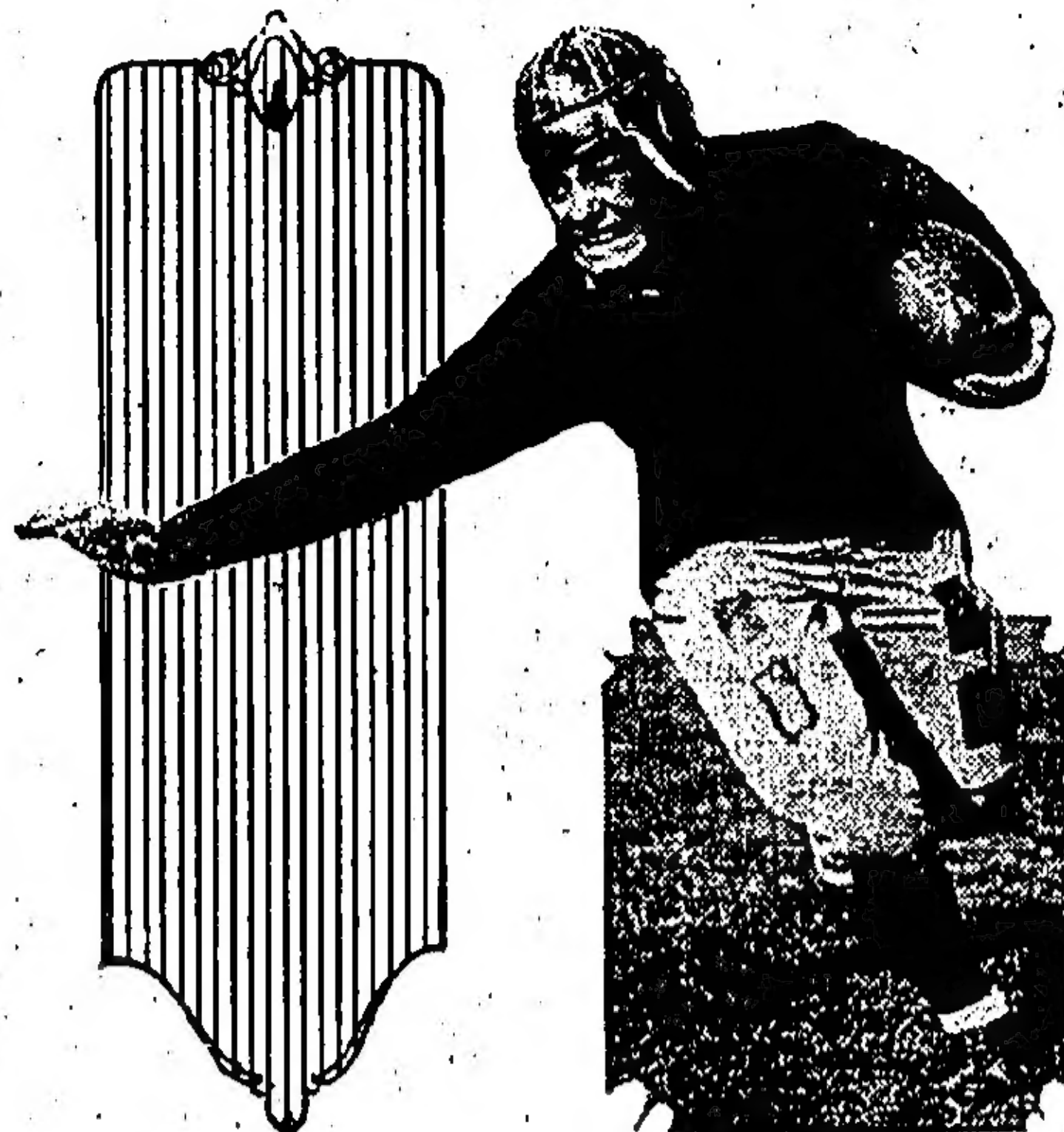
Photo of Miss Helen Wills showing the modest tennis costume which she herself designed. The skirt hangs just below the knee, while the abbreviated sleeves come mid-way to her elbow. Superimposed are two cartoons from a Home periodical, contrasting the long-skirted tennis girl of '98 with the bounding court queen of to-day.

Chinese in Strange Garb.



One of the many Chinese students in the U.S. who have taken up American football.

American Football Captain.



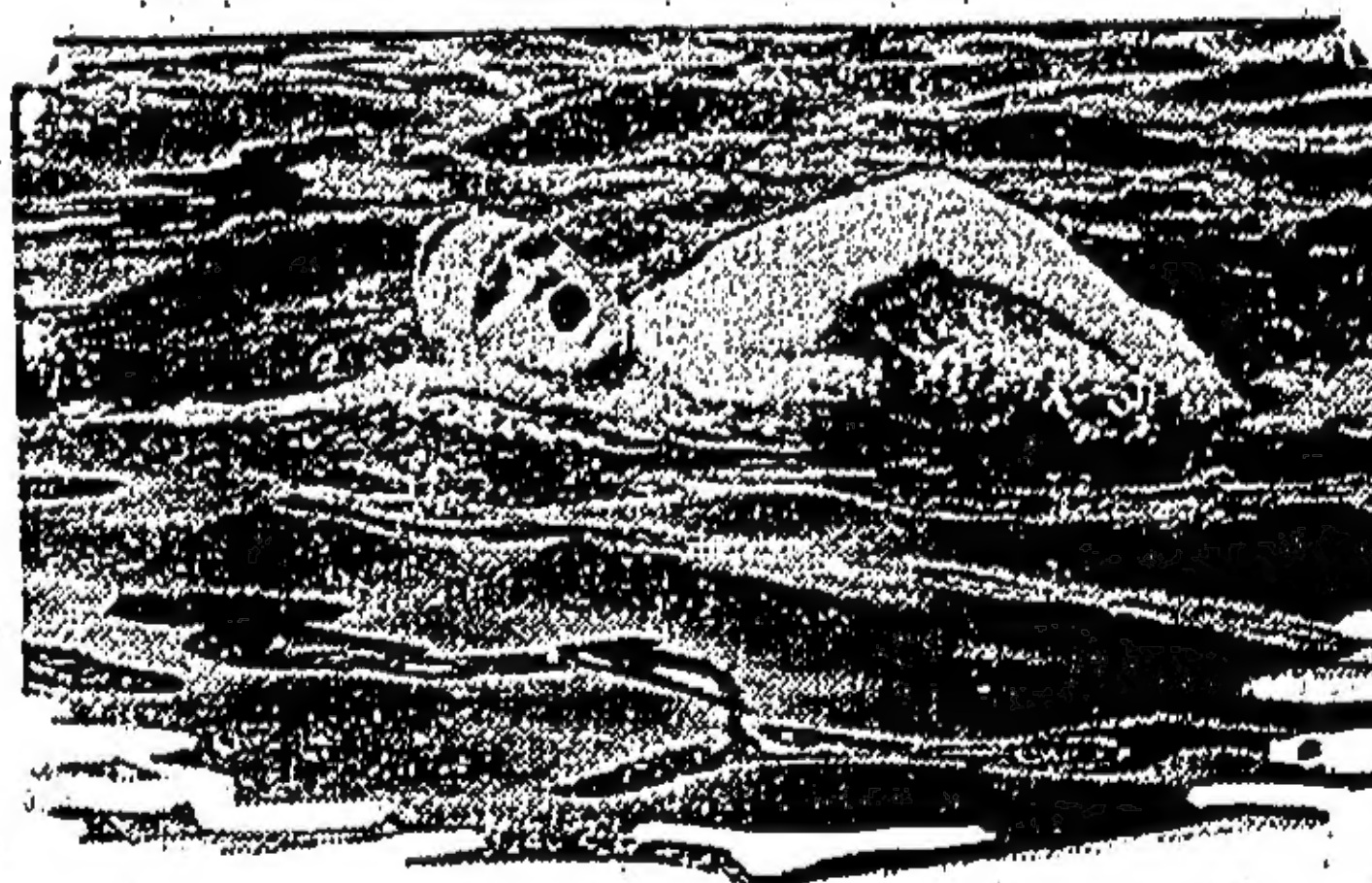
Jesse Hibbs, captain of the University of Southern California football team—and an all-American tackle.

Professional Tennis.



Karel Kozeluh, right, of Czecho-Slovakia, and Vincent Richards, the American star, whom he defeated at Prague for the world's professional singles title in tennis. The score was 6-3, 3-6, 6-1. Kozeluh is regarded by experts as the world's most brilliant player.

In An Endurance Swim.



Mrs. Myrtle Huddleston in an attempt to regain the endurance swimming record of 52 hours.

The U.S. Polo Team.



The leading American polo players—left to right, W. Averill Harriman, Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., Malcolm Stevenson and J. Cheever Cowdin.

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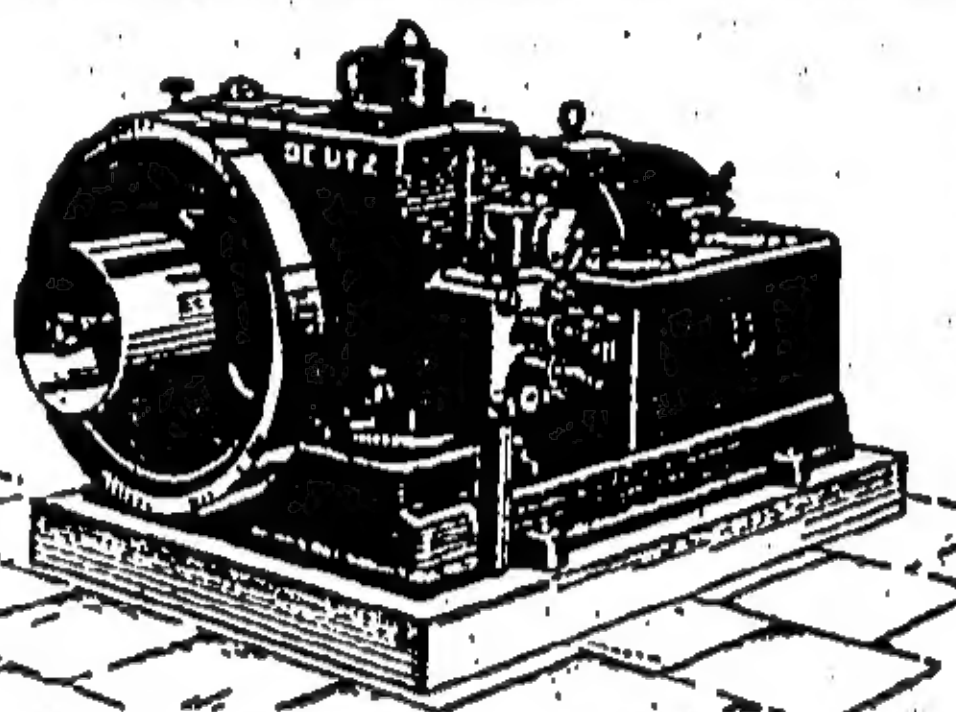
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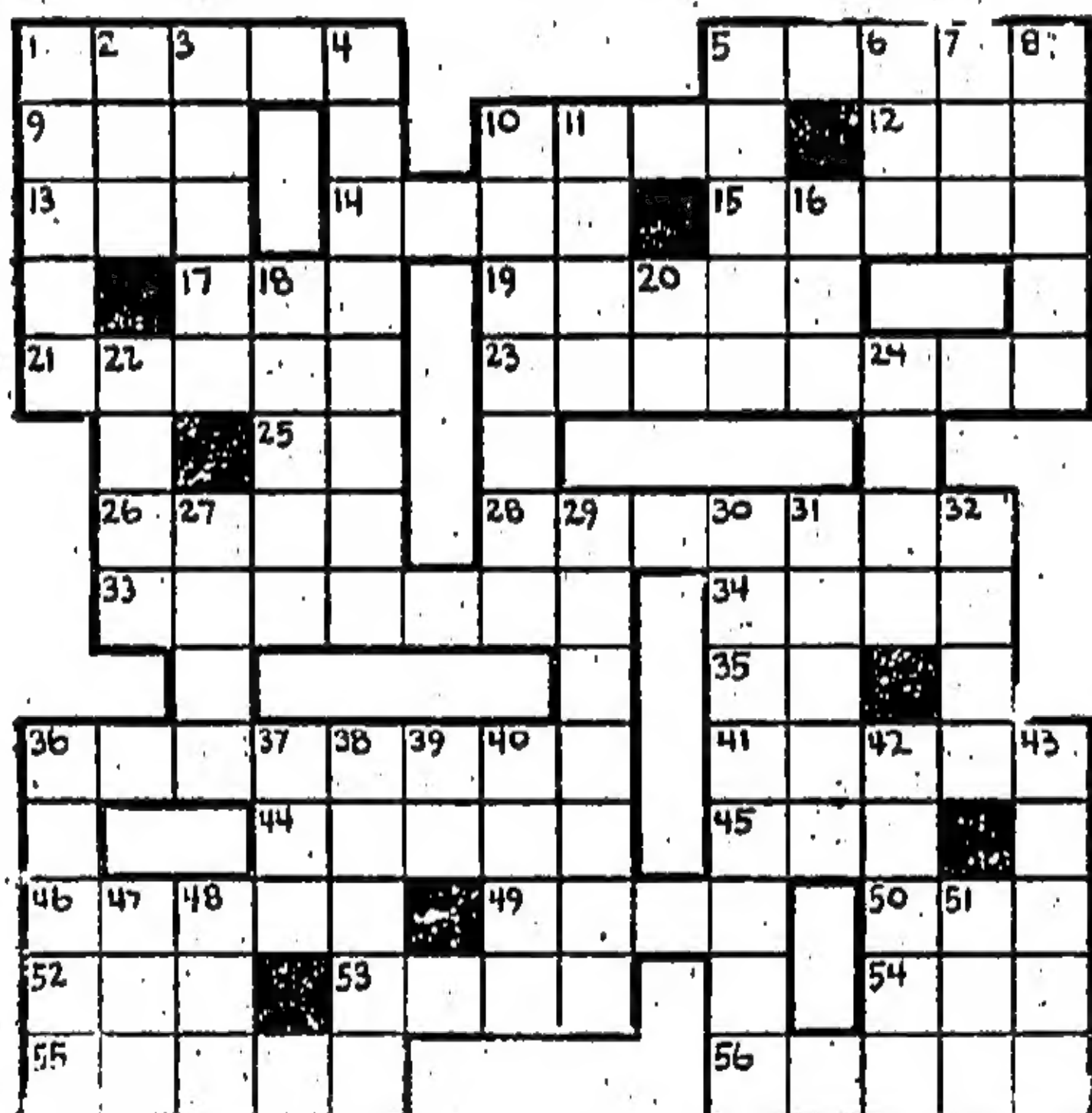
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and attho.)

HORIZONTAL

- 1-A color
- 5-Italian for "barge"
- 9-The head, as of
whit
- 10-Rome (Italian)
- 12-Greek goddess of
the dawn
- 13-Personal pronoun
- 14-Lacking in good
quality
- 15-Next (Dial.)
- 17-Fuse
- 19-Fried quickly
- 21-Small disc of metal
bearing a device
- 23-Famous Italian
author; captured
Trieste
- 25-A compass point
(abbr.)
- 26-A poisonous plant of
Western U. S.
- 28-To admire
extravagantly
- 33-Sounder
- 34-Records (Latin)
- 35-Dead-head (abbr.)
- 36-Ancient name of
Spain
- 41-A second outing of
hay

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 44-A Turkish measure
of capacity
- 45-A Scandinavian unit
of length
- 46-A British island in
the Mediterranean
- 49-Sharp
- 50-A prefix giving a
bad meaning
- 52-Combining form
Equal
- 53-Any way of
advancing
- 54-Go (Scott.)
- 55-A known fact
- 56-Percolates

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 10-Girl's name
- 11-A seaport of Algeria
- 12-Town (poet.)
- 18-Skip lightly
- 20-Prefix. Not
- 22-Snake-like fish
- 24-Piquant flavor
- 27-Opens (poet.)
- 29-Fearful
- 30-Insurgent Filipino
soldiers
- 31-Ethereal fluid in the
veins of the gods
- 32-To give relief
- 36-Damp
- 37-Strike lightly
- 38-To strike with
sudden fear
- 39-S. W. State of the
U. S. (abbr.)
- 40-Village in
Mississippi, scene
of Civil War battle
- 42-To split
- 43-Trace by small
steps
- 47-Man's name
- 48-Plot
- 51-One of the Caroline
Islands

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will
appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word
puzzle.)

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THE WORLD OF BOOKS

THE SOCRATIC MODERN

["Dialogues and Monologues," by
Humbert Wolfe. (Gollancz,
7s 6d net.)]

Mr. Humbert Wolfe's criticism is distinguished by two apparently contradictory qualities, its extreme intellectual brilliancy and its placid patience with views of art and literature which are instinctively abhorrent to it. Brilliance and patience seldom go together, but in Mr. Wolfe they combine so perfectly as to lend to his critical dialogues something of the genuinely Socratic flavour. Twenty years ago Mr. Wolfe would have been considered a modern of the moderns; to-day he playfully excuses himself, in disputation with imaginary opponents, as a traditionalist with one foot in the Victorian grave.

As a matter of fact, he is a critic of wide receptivity, ready to listen to the argument of the innovator, but impregnable loyal to the necessity of form in every kind of art. Form there must be; pattern there must be; the common mistake of the revolutionary is that he allows familiarity with a beautiful pattern to breed contempt of it. Not everything that is new is art. But mind, playing upon matter, interprets nature and gives it meaning. "Nature is a discordant mess; when left to itself it is wholly unnatural because wholly unaffected by the human mind." Art makes nature natural, by effecting the unity of mind and matter.

This is one, and one of the principal, of Mr. Wolfe's articles of belief; and in these dialogues, dealing with the craft of verse, the artistic limits of modernism and so on, he brings his faith in beauty to bear upon the champions of conflicting creeds by giving them full elbow-room, and then breaking under their guard with his own keen rapier thrust. These essays and discussions glitter with the zest of sword-play, which every now and again strikes out a fiery spark of originality.

So Pater's prose is described as "not having prose, but prose lying in state." So wit is defined as a "fundamental and sudden arrangement of the chaotic, with laughter as the mind's verdict upon it." So the critic protests that "no artist who ever lived has created by theory, any more than a daffodil evolves in accordance with an Act of Parliament." So, finally, with a wilful shrug of the shoulders, he decides that "all poets fail. That is why there is always room for another."

These, of course, are merely some of the flashes emitted from the contest of wits; the conduct of the argument itself is a larger and a profounder affair. But even in its profundity, it is full of light and colour. Mr. Wolfe allows his rival debaters to accuse him at intervals of flippancy. But he is not really flippancy, any more than he is a "poet," though some of his intellectual attitudes do savour of the salon. He is, more than anything else, a laughing philosopher, with a quick response to every voice of beauty, and the courage not to dismiss from the sanctuary of beauty any new pattern, device, or fancy, however superficially unpromising, until it has been tested by the infallible touchstone of the Muse herself.—A. W., in "Daily Telegraph."

LONDON OF THE 'SEVENTIES

["Ships That Pass." By Julian
Hawthorne. (Murray, 18s.)]

Mr. Hawthorne's distinguished parentage gave him an introduction to the more interesting side of English life, which his own ability was more than equal to maintaining, and in these recollections of London from the 'seventies onwards we have portraits of significant people in great profusion. The author has a good eye for the salient: in a description of Disraeli as a Parliamentary debater he speaks of "that sudden gleam of black eye, like the stroke of the cobra knowing its deadliness." There is a remarkable picture of George Elliot at home and George Henry Lewes interrupting the general conversation by standing up with uplifted arm and exclaiming, "Silence, please—silence! Mrs. Lewes is going to speak! And a story is to be found here, on the authority of Meredith, of an ingenious literary pilgrim who was pleased to encounter Swinburne, but somewhat less exuberant in the morning when the poet finished a recital of his own poems which had been commenced on the previous afternoon. Mr. Hawthorne's judgments are in the main as sound as his sketches are picturesque, and his book is among the best of its species.—The "Observer."

THE PERFECT WIFE

["Mary Anne Disraeli." By James
Sykes. (Benn. 10s. 6d.)]

Mr. Sykes has written a workmanlike and quite charming appendix to the Disraeli saga, says "The Observer." It was, of course, just like him to throw an air of mystery over the origins of the extraordinary lady whom he married and just like him to acquiesce in the romance. A milliner's apprentice who became Disraeli's wife and a Peeress in her own right—what a perfect fairy-tale come true. In fact, however, it was a fairy-tale, and, therefore, did not come true. The lady's father, John Evans, was a gentleman farmer's son who had run away to sea, had got a commission from the ranks, and had married a Miss Viney, who came of a race of Gloucestershire squires, and was socially somewhat his superior. She had a little money of her own, and could, therefore, bring up her son and daughter decently enough when she was left a widow five years after

In later years she used to say, complacently, that Disraeli had married her for her money, and if he had the chance would marry her again for love. In fact, he could have married more profitably and she more respectably. As it was, they were ideally matched. She had found the genius she had longed for. She looked after his home and his stomach and his hair, eagerly playing up to his romance. Characteristically she drove down to the House with him, again and again, but never entered the gallery until she could see him take his seat as Prime Minister. And he could look on his marriage as the most extraordinary thing in the rich adventure of his life. There was not a figure in London Society to be set beside her, and, best of all, she could never be his rival. Perhaps, too, his blood impelled him. Mary Anne was a Christian, but all her qualities—her sprightliness, her generosity in big things combined with nigardiness in little, her capacity for a devotion not staying on this side idolatry, above all her charmingly spontaneous vulgarity—belong to a familiar type of Jewess. Also she had a way with her—a practical point not likely to escape Disraeli's genius. She could even get on with Mr. Gladstone, so that her conversation cannot always have held its traditional colour of impropriety.

The stories about her are legion, and Mr. Sykes wisely gives a chapter to them. Most of them have passed into anecdotal currency, but Mr. Sykes has rescued an ideal example of the perfect wife in full activity. She had accompanied her husband to a photographer's studio:

A pedestal being placed for him to lean upon, she ran forward and pushed it away, exclaiming, "Disraeli has never had anyone but me to lean upon, and he shall not be shown with a prop now."

A FORGOTTEN POET

["The Poetry of Father Tabb." Edited by Francis A. Litz.
(Lane, 8s. 6d.)]

The poems of Father Tabb, famous for their brevity, have made many (who knew him chiefly from anthologies) think too lightly of his gift. As much a master of surprise as the swallow, he comes before us here in bulk, and these five hundred pages, as Mr. Litz, who has already written a critical biography, explains, are not exhaustive. Perfection and not polish was Tabb's aim.

The epigram, as a rule, is nearer to verse than to poetry, and the marvel of John Banister Tabb (1845-1909) was that, for all his faith in the tiny poem, he escaped both the epigram and the trivial in his verse. The shorter the poem and the shorter the line, the better he is, but it is poetry or nothing that he offers. Even the sonnet, of which he wrote many, was apt to be too expansive a form for him; and he was even better at rendering some tiny fact about a flower, a bird, an acorn, and at evoking beauty from its hint than when, as in his religious pieces, he would diminish a major symbol to its smallest proportions. When the bulk of his work is remembered in relation to its quality, and minute scale, Tabb is seen to have been a considerable poet. Only a publisher could make this clear to everyone, and it is the great merit of this edition to have done it.

The Introduction explains how Tabb discovered what the exquisite narrowness of his scope required of him, and gives a vivid miniature portrait of the man, the priest, the teacher. Tabb could be witty in talk and in letters. Even grammar became sparkling when he taught it. Since there is room for only one quotation, there is no doubt, on reflection, that it must be this:

O little bird, I'd be
A poet like to thee,
Singing my native song—
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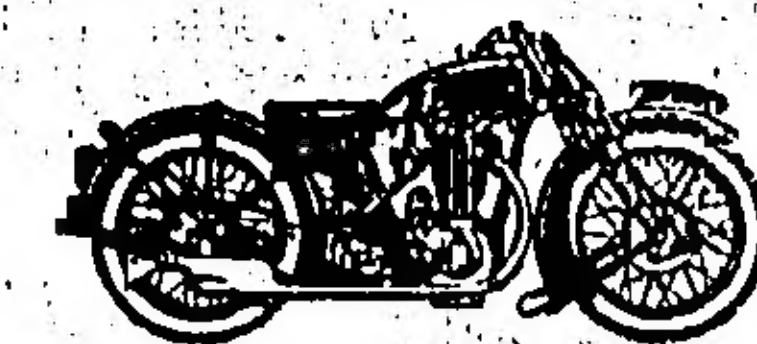


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There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays, and also one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m.
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

XMAS LETTER MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

Xmas Letter Mail via Marseilles for Great Britain will be closed in the G.P.O. at 1.30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 20th inst. per S.S. "Paul Lecat".
This mail is due in London on the 23rd December.

It is notified for general information that dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

INWARD MAILS.

From	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10.
Shanghai and Swatow	10. Soochow
Straits	11. Katori Maru
Manila	12. President McKinley
Straits	12. Trewellard
Shanghai and Amoy	13. Linan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13.	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 20th Oct.)	13. Kidderpore
Straits	15. Van Heutz
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15.	
Australia and Manila	15. Tango Maru
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16.	
Japan and Shanghai	16. Haruna Maru
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19.	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	19. Empress of Canada

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10.
Manila	President Jefferson 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Dairen	Liangchow 6 p.m.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwangchow 9 a.m.
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 8rd Dec. and Europe via Siberia.	Parcels 10 a.m. Registration 11.15 a.m. Letters noon
Japan	Rakuyo Maru 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Katori Maru 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta.	Parcels 11 a.m. Letters noon
Swatow	Suisang
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 24th Nov.	Parcels noon. Registration noon. Letters (Nov. 13) 8.30 a.m.
Taipei	

*Correspondence-bearing vessels name only.

THE UNEMPLOYED PROBLEM

NEW PROPOSALS

GOVERNMENT AND WORKERS FOR CANADA

FOR COUNTRY AND TOWN

London, Yesterday.

The new proposals for the emigration of workers to Canada were outlined in the House of Commons to-day by Sir Arthur Steel Maitland, Minister of Labour, in the course of a debate on unemployment.

He said that under a scheme of training centres for agricultural workers, it was hoped within the next six months that 5,000 or 6,000 men would be ready to go to Canada.

The Government were also negotiating with the Canadian Government for the sending out of town workers for work in Canadian towns, with no stipulation about agricultural work. It was hoped a minimum of 3,000 or 4,000 of these might go out in the next six months and that the number might be considerably greater.—British Wireless Service.

MEXICAN TRIAL

CLOSING STAGES MARKED WITH STRONG FEELING

"STORM OF HISSES"

New York, Yesterday.

Feelings at the closing stages of the Toral trial were so high that the prisoners had to be surrounded by three rows of armed troops, a large number of whom were maintained in other parts of the building. A crowd of a thousand, who were unable to gain admission, loitered in the streets crying "viva Obregon," "death to Toral."

Defending counsel's plea that Toral only committed a political crime, and that Maria Concepcion was a holy woman was drowned in a storm of hisses from the spectators.

The defence has been allowed five days to prepare an appeal unless the Supreme Court acts. In which case Toral will face the firing squad and Maria Concepcion will commence her term of imprisonment.—Reuter's American Service.

COMPLAINTS

BROUGHT BEFORE CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

At the meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, yesterday afternoon, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, the secretary, read a letter from a local transportation firm complaining of the inconvenience caused by the new regulations drawn up as to the transhipment of tobacco. The new regulations require that all tobacco arriving in the Colony must be bonded before it is transhipped. The chamber, it is understood, intends to take up the matter with the authorities.

A complaint was received from the Vegetable Guild, whose members are dissatisfied with the recent increase of rent on vegetable stalls in the market.

STATE FUNERAL

Nanking, Yesterday.

The Standing Committee of the Central Executive Committee of the Nationalist Party has passed a resolution regarding the State burial of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, that all Party organs at home and abroad be notified three months in advance of the date of the interment, and that Wu Te-chen head a delegation to proceed to Peking and convey the casket to Nanking.—Reuter.

MANCHURIA

Nanking, Yesterday.

A telegram has been sent to General Chang Hsueh-llang of Manchuria stating that the Ministry for Foreign Affairs will assume full responsibility for diplomatic affairs, and requesting the despatch to Nanking of all documents appertaining to foreign relations in Manchuria.—Reuter.

THE LORD MAYOR'S BANQUET

THE SPEECHES

MR. BALDWIN ON CHINA OF TO-DAY

OTHER SUBJECTS

London, Yesterday.

At the Lord Mayor's banquet, in the Guildhall, Mr. Baldwin rejoiced that the post-war distinction between victors and vanquished no longer existed and that improvement had resulted in a striking change of the internal condition of Germany, proving that close Franco-British co-operation had not reacted detrimentally to Germany or to any other power.

On the contrary, the expansion of Franco-British co-operation forming the keystone of the European arch that still constituted British policy.

The Premier referred to the steady progress in Central Europe and also in Italy, whose position to-day testified to the success of the efforts of the Italians during the past four years.

Mr. Baldwin welcomed Spain's return to the League of Nations.

Congratulations To Japan

The Prime Minister, congratulating the new Emperor of Japan on the occasion of his enthronement, declared that the spirit of the historic Anglo-Japanese Alliance still flourishes and constitutes one of the strongest guarantees of peace in the Far East.

As regards China, the premier said her Government was faced with great difficulties but it had a constructive programme, and he hoped that it would prove strong enough to give effect thereto. He believed that we had been successful in our two-fold endeavour, firstly, to protect our own people and, secondly, to take all practicable measures to meet the natural aspirations of the Chinese themselves. The despatch of the Defence Force undoubtedly saved the lives of many people not only British but Chinese and preserved a great city from what might have been a catastrophe.

England and China

Mr. Baldwin concluded by stating that good relations existed between Britain and the Chinese National Government, especially since the settlement of the Nanking incident; and was the best proof that the Chinese themselves were appreciating our friendly feeling. "And now that they have definitely rejected the counsels of the third international, having realised that they were not given in the interests of China but in the interests of world revolution, we believe that if they now turn to us for advice and for a system they will not find us unresponsive." (Cheers.)

The Pact

Mr. Baldwin paid a tribute to the Kellogg Pact, which was "so tremendous a thing that few of us realise it." The signature to it would mean nothing unless the signatories would make up their minds to honour it to the end of time.

Air Difficulties

Sir Samuel Hoare (Minister for Air) announced that international difficulties connected with the right to fly over foreign territories, which had stood in the way of a weekly London-Karachi service, had been finally removed and the service would start early in the Spring.—Reuter.

While it is well-known that a noise annoys an oyster, it is only recently that the other side of the tale has been told. It is now reported that wireless "under water" experiments off Hatteras, North Carolina, had to be abandoned because the oyster hummed so merrily. The delicate mechanism was put out of gear by the oysters' noise, which resembles a person humming a tune. The wireless experimenters applied to the Bureau of Fishers for relief, but were told they had no remedy that would make the oyster silent.

Mr. Edgar Wallace was in the chair and Miss Marie Tempest guest of the evening at the annual dinner and dance of the Green Room Club at the May Fair Hotel.

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CORDIAL WISHES

London, Yesterday.

The following message has been telegraphed by H.M. the King to the Emperor of Japan:—

"On this auspicious day of your Imperial Majesty's enthronement in the seat of your august ancestors, I hasten to offer you my most cordial wishes that you may enjoy a long and prosperous reign, made happy by the abiding loyalty and ever-increasing affection of your people, so closely united with my own by ties of friendship, mutual understanding and joint endeavour in the cause of civilisation and progress."—British Wireless Service.

Local Reception

The Japanese Consul-General held a reception this morning at the Hong Kong Hotel. There was a representative attendance.

BANK NOTES

LOCAL CIRCULATION AND RESERVE.

Returns of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended October 31, 1928, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks are as follows:—

Banks	Average Amount.	Specie In Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$15,200,000	\$5,900,000*
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	46,988,774	\$4,000,000†
Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.	1,877,945	600,000‡

Total .. \$63,766,784 40,500,000

* In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,277,700.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at \$2,998,202.

‡ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$180,000.

The following statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, against their notes in circulation, is published for general information under Section 5 of the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, (Ordinance No. 65 of 1911):—

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NEW REGULATIONS

SHORT SKIRTS & BOBBED HAIR IN TURKEY

Constantinople, Oct. 3. Turkish women are not adopting the new regulations in respect to short skirts and bobbed hair as readily as was expected. Although many a close fitting little cloche hat and many a pair of silk stockings are seen on the streets of Constantinople, the more conservative women both here and in the smaller towns are resisting the innovations stubbornly.

Sharp Rebukes Recently Kiazim Pasha, the president of the Angora Assembly, felt the necessity of issuing a series of sharp rebukes to his countrywomen.

"To let bobbed hair grow out again," he declared, "is a retrograde step, a backward movement from way of progress. Long ago men got rid of their long locks; it is now women's turn to do the same."

"Sweep the Streets" The same applied to short skirts, he further stated.

"No woman to-day can sweep the streets with long skirts without being ridiculous. They are in no way fitted to the structure of the feminine body and I see no reason to hide the legs in a full and shapeless bundle."

Silk head-scarfs also came in for their share of criticism. The Pasha announced firmly that western hats were far more becoming. Scarfs were like ugly nightcaps, he asserted.—United Press.

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